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OUTLINES.

In the Senate yesterday it developed that the friends of the railway rate bill are divided against themselves, some favoring the right of the railroads to appeal to the courts and that while the appeal is pending in the courts a rate ordered by the Interstate Commerce Commission shall be suspended; Senator Tillman and others opposed that view, holding that to suspend a rate ordered by the commission will break the backbone of the act to regulate rates——In the House of Representatives yesterday Brantley, of Georgia, opposed the Littlefield bill for the sole regulation of pilotage by the Federal government——A crisis in the French ministry was suddenly sprung yesterday by a decisive vote defeating M. Rouvier and causing the resignation of the cabinet; it is feared that it will complicate the settlement of the Moroccan question as a new ministry might adopt an entirely different policy——In Paris, France, yesterday an elegantly dressed woman, whose clothing was marked Ethel A. Brown, said to be born in Fayetteville, was found floating in the River Seine——Greene and Gaynor are putting up a hard fight in their trial at Savannah, the features yesterday being objections to the use of a dead man's testimony against them and a sharp turn on the Government by using Major Gillette, the prosecuting witness, as their witness——Argument in the Matthews wife murder trial at Greensboro was concluded yesterday and the judge will charge the jury today——The Otis Elevator Company and other manufacturers of elevators have been prosecuted in the Federal Court at San Francisco for confining to control the price of elevators——President Roosevelt has sent to Congress a message urging additional powers for the Interstate Commerce Commission and the appropriation of $50,000 to carry on the investigation of railroads involved in the coal and oil monopolies; he expresses his doubt about the effectiveness of such an investigation——Senator Tillman proposes to furnish the committee on privileges and elections proof that a National bank contributed $17,000 to the Republican campaign fund——New York markets: Money on call easier 4 to 5 per cent.; ruling rate 4 3-4 to 5; closing bids 3; offered at 5; spot cotton five points lower, closing quiet at 11.25; flour dull and lower; wheat weak, No. 2 red, 82 7-8; corn firm, No. 2, 50 elevator; oats steady, mixed 34 1-2 to 35; turpentine and rosin firm.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. Department of Agriculture
Weather Bureau.

Wilmington, N. C., March 7, 1906.

Meterological data for the 24 hours ending 8 P. M., Wednesday, March 7th:

Temperature at 8 A. M., 40 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; Maximum, 60 degrees; Minimum, 39 degrees; Mean, 50 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .06; rainfall since first of month to date, 1.19.

Stage of water in Cape Fear river at Fayetteville at 8 A. M., Tuesday, 10 feet.

Weather Forecast.

For North Carolina—Rain Thursday, except fair in extreme west portion. Friday fair, fresh north to northwest winds.

Advisory Message.

Washington, D. C., March 7—3:30 P. M.—Disturbance off mouth of Mississippi will move north to east with increasing easterly winds to-night on Florida and South Atlantic coasts.

GARRIOTT.

PORT ALMANAC—March 8.

Sun Rises ..... 6:22 A. M.
Sun Sets ..... 6:01 P. M.
Day's Length, ... 11 hrs 30 min.
High Water at Southport. 5:58 A. M.
High Water at Wilmington. 8:28 A. M.

If the Big Stick and the Pitchfork can settle their differences, President Castro need not lose hope of calling it all off with France.

"Stick to your farm" advises a correspondent of the Raleigh News and Observer. We are already stuck on our farm.

A Socialist writer demands that all the world's money should be equally divided among the people. In that event some of us would get back part of the money we've blown in for fun that was worth nothing after all.

Mark Twain defines a gentleman as "man who is just, merciful and kind," and frankly admits that there are only a few of us left.—Washington Post. Which is only another way of saying there are only a few of us right.

The Dowager Empress of China is terribly alarmed over the bad sign that somebody threw a shoe at the imperial palace. If ther is as bad a sign in a shoe as there is in a slipper when a boy is threatened with one, we can sympathize with the perturbation of Tsi Ann.

The new Democratic Congressional campaign committee chosen at Washington a few days ago "hopes to be able to elect enough members this Fall to control the next House of Representatives." We are glad that we belong to the most hopeful party in all the world.

"Is effrontery less in evidence than in other days?" asks a magazine writer. Less nothing. Look at Judge Deuel, of New York, defying propriety by robing himself in the ermine and resuming his place on the bench in spite of the disclosures in the Hapgood case.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Warren & Davis—Cakes.
C. R., L. & P. Co.—Gas Stoves.
Warren's Steam Bakery—Washington Bread.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

E. L. Burris—Gates Changed.
Lost—Black and White Setter.
Dr. O. F. Smith—Medical Practice for Sale.

LOCAL DOTS.

—The steamer Sea Gate was terday inspected by Capts. Rice Borden, of the government service.

—Th Auditing Committee of th Board of County Commissioners will hold its regular monthly meeting this afternoon.

—The Piano Club will meet this evening at 8 o'clock sharp in the parlors of the Y. M. C. A. All members are requested to attend.

—The schooner Joel Cook, from the Cape Fear Lumber Company with cargo for New York, was towed down by the steamer Wilmington yesterday afternoon.

—A building permit was granted yesterday to Mr. Wm. Gilchrist for the erection of a two-story, slate-roof residence on Seventh between Market and Dock streets; Rogers & Thomas, contractors.

—There was no session of the Police Court yesterday noon. One case in which Ed. Gause, alias James Betts colored, was charged with disorderly conduct and resisting Officer Leon George at Fourth and Nixon streets, was continued until to-day.

—To-night Mrs. J. F. Garrell's Circle of Grace Methodist Church, known as Circle No. 4, will give a delightful entertainment at the church. The programme will be an enjoyable one, and will commence at 8:15 o'clock. During the time of serving refreshments an orchestra will render music.

—The new millinery store of Misses Donnelly & King, at Front and Grace streets, wil be opened this morning. They have a pretty and very attractive line of all the latest and most fashionable shapes in hats of all kinds, including a well selected stock of millinery. Miss Katharine C. Dolly, an expert trimmer of New York, has been engaged and will be delighted with the proprietors to have the ladies call to-day.

IN THE SUPREME COURT.

Important Cases from Wilmington as Argued Tuesday.

In its report of argument of Fifth District cases before the Supreme Court, the Raleigh News and Observer of yesterday says:

In Horne vs. Power Company from Wilmington, the plaintiff has recovered in the lower court damages in the sum of $5,000 for injuries received while attending to electric light belonging to the defendant company. The cause of the injury accrued through the falling of a wire of the Bell Telephone Company across the wires of the defendant, the Consolidated Railways and the A. C. L. wires. The plaintiff at the time of the injury was sitting upon an iron awning, which completed the circuit so that he received the current which had been defected by the "ground." In this case attorneys for the defendants have on exhibit in the court a complete model of the poles, wires, lights, etc., which contributed to the accident. This model is charged with dry cell batteries, so arranged that the "ground" resulting can be realistically shown in exactly the manner in which it occurred.

The case of Lumber Company vs. A. C. L. Railroad, which will be argued to-day or to-morrow, is of interest as further serving to perfect and adjust the powers of the Corporation Commission to control rate discriminations by the railways and the validity of the State laws tending to prevent the practice.

THE WAYCROSS SHOPS.

Yards and Tracks Being Enlarged and Improved.

The Waycross Evening Herald has the following of interest:

"The roadway department of the Atlantic Coast Line in this city has received instructions from the headquarters of the company at Wilmington to organize its forces prepartory to beginning work on the new freight yard to be built in this city.

"The Coast Line will not give out this work to contractors, but all the track laying will be done by its own forces. At least one hundred men will be employed on the work and some difficulty is apprehended in securing a sufficient number of hands. It is very likely that men will be imported by the company from South Carolina.

"There is a great deal of filling in to do before the track can be laid and a steam shovel will be placed at the sand bank on the east side of the Satilla river to supply the work train with sand for filling in purposes. There will be two forces engaged on the work, one on the work train and the other in laying the racks.

"The workmen will be housed in roadway cars and shanties during the work, which will continue for several months.

"The present freight yard has a capacity of 1,200 cars, and the new yard will be large enough to hold 2,000 cars."

SHE IS STILL HARD ASHORE.

Cargo of Navahoe Still Being Lightered—May Pull To-Day.

The Clyde Liner Navahoe still lies hard ashore in the quicksand of Middle Ground Shoals, inside of Cape Fear Bar, at the mouth of the river. During the unusually high tide Tuesday night, she shifted her position slightly but remains hard and fast. No effort was made to pull on the ship yesterday. The cargo is still being lightered as fast as possible, the barge Minneola and that of the Diamond Steamboat & Wrecking Co. having brought up a part of it yesterday. The Louis H. is also being used, but is unable to get alongside the steamer. The cargo is being stored in the old C. F. & Y. V. shed, on Point Peter.

The cutter, the steamer Compton, and the tugs Blanche and Marion will pull on the steamer again to-day if enough of the cargo is taken off by the high tide and strong hopes of floating the ship are entertained. The weather was a little smutty on the outside last night, but the steamer is believed to have suffered no damage in consequence thereof.

Social Session To-Night.

The Elks will give another delightful social session after the regular lodge exercises to-night. It promises to be a most delightful affair and all resident as well as visiting members are cordially invited to attend. There will be music, refreshments and other diversions.

Slight Wreck on Yards.

There was another slight wreck on the lower yards of the Atlantic Coast Line yesterday morning. The rear end of one train of cars making for the same switch struck shifting engine No. 114, damaging the latter and smashing the car to some extent. No one was injured.

WILL ENFORCE LAW

Ultimatum Issued By Mayor to Business Men In the Wholesale District

AS TO THE DUMMY LINE

President Norwood's Report Makes Fine Showing For Pioneer Institution—Figures as to Surplus, Dividends, Earnings, Etc.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company was held yesterday noon in the banking rooms of the institution on Front street. As an evidence of the interest manifested in its affairs by the stockholders, 443 shares out of 500 were represented. The annual report of President J. W. Norwood was the most interesting feature of the meeting, giving, as it did, an interesting and highly satisfactory review of the progress of the past year. The report was as follows:

"The statements published from time to time disclose to stockholders the true conditions of your company. At the close of business on March 1, 1906, the surplus amounted to $111,364.27, an increase over the preceding year of $20,062. In addition to these profits, the company has paid in dividends to stockholders $4,000 within the past year and added a snug sum to the depositors' interest reserve fund.

"Deposits are now $1,528,601.44, an increase over the same time last year of $301,133.89. Within the year we have paid out in interest to depositors over $40,000; 1,735 new accounts have been opened during the year, which is a handsome increase over the preceding year.

"The net profits for the past year amount to 80.3 per cent. on our original capital, but when we consider that our capital and accumulated profits at the beginning of our past business year amounted to exceeding four times our original capital, the net earnings for the year were 16 per cent. on capital and surplus. The policy of the directors of your company in the past has always been to pay only small dividends to stockholders in proportion to earnings. We have added to our surplus each year for the past few years, over 50 per cent. of the capital of the bank. Your directors feel that all other considerations should be secondary to the security we offer our depositors. Thoughtful people who have money to deposit on time will always, other things being equal, seek the strongest bank. It is therefore important for us to continue to increase our surplus very much larger than any other savings bank in North Carolina.

"The stock in your company (which is the security to depositors) will now sell for more than twice as much in proportion to par value as stock in any other bank in the State—national, state or savings.

"We have made no loss during the past year, nor is there any doubtful or past due notes among our assets. Some officers of the bank would unhesitatingly take without recourse on the bank any note now held by the latter."

Mr. Norwood was complimented upon his excellent report, after which the election of directors was proceeded with, resulting in the naming of Messrs. Henry Walters, of New York; J. V. Grainger, N. B. Rankin, H. L. Vollers, D. O'Connor, J. W. Yates, Donald MacRae, J. W. Norwood and C. E. Taylor, Jr.

The directors subsequently met and re-elected Mr. Norwood president; Mr. Walters, vice-president; Mr. Taylor, cashier, and Mr. A. L. Mills, assistant cashier. Mr. Mills was formerly assistant cashier of the City National Bank, of Greenville, S. C. He has been with the Wilmington Savings and Trust Company as teller for the past four months and is becoming fully identified with the banking interests of the city.

FISHING IN THE CAPE FEAR.

Law as Enunciated in the New Revisal of the Code.

Editor Star:

Dear Sir:—For the benefit of all concerned you will please publish the law concerning fishing in the Cape Fear river. You will find it in Revisal of 1905, page 736, section 2470. While some fishermen observe this others do not but are continually violating it.

"2470. In Brunswick, New Hanover and Pender counties. If any person shall use in any of the waters of Brunswick, New Hanover and Pender counties any nets, seines, set-downs, fish traps or any other nets of any description for the purpose of taking fish, the bars of the meshes of which nets, seines, set-downs or fish traps shall be less than one and one-eighth inches in length; or shall with seines or nets of any kind, catch any fish in the waters of the Cape Fear river from its mouth to the Bladen county line, or in the waters of the Northeast Cape Fear or Black rivers in Pender county between 6 o'clock P. M., on Tuesday and 6 o'clock P. M., on Wednesday, or shall obstruct the free passage of fish in the waters of said rivers, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor."

JOLLIFEE UNION CHARTERED.

Insurance Department Profitable—Fifth District in Supreme Court.

(Special Star Telegram.)

Raleigh, N. C., March, 7.—Insurance Commissioner Young to-day approved a charter for the Independent Order, J. R. Giddens and Jollifee Union, (Incorporated), of Wilmington, a colored organization. The charter was secured by John D. Bellamy, attorney.

The Insurance Commissioner paid into the State treasury to-day $51,356, which makes $195,266.24 collections by the Department since last April beginning the fiscal year. The total collections the last fiscal year were $197,402, while the total for the present year ending April 1st, will certainly be upwards of $200,000.

The following cases were argued in the Supreme Court to-day: Mathis vs. Manufacturing Company, Duplin, by Kerr for plaintiff, Shepherd & Shepherd for defendant; Batchelor vs. James, Duplin, submitted under rule 12; Wilmington vs. Bryan, New Hanover, John D. Bellamy, Brooke Empie for plaintiff, Rountree & Carr, Davis and McClammy, defendant; Quinnerly vs. Tull, Lenoir, by E. M. Land, G. V. Cooper for plaintiff, Murray Allen for defendant.

PROTECT FISHING INDUSTRY

Experts from State and United States Departments Here Looking After Conditions in Cape Fear.

The North Carolina Geological Survey in co-operation with the United States Bureau of Fisheries has just begun an investigation of the shad fishing industry of North Carolina, which will include an examination of the condition of this industry on the Cape Fear river and its tributaries. Pamlico, Albemarle and Croatan sounds, and the rivers flowing into them. Dr. Joseph Hyde Pratt, Acting State Geologist, and Mr. John Cobb, of the U. S. Bureau of Fisheries, reached Wilmington yesterday to begin this work, and have spent Wednesday in examining the Cape Fear river below Wilmington. All the stake nets were found located on the east side of the river, as usual, although, as far as can be learned the catch of fish is approximately the same as last year at the corresponding time. There are a good many shad and other fish being caught in drift nets, which are being operated at intervals from Wilmington to Southport. There are about 40 of these nets being operated.

After completing the work at Wilmington, Mr. Cobb will go to Fayetteville, finishing that section of the Cape Fear river, and then take up the other branches of the river. The work will then be begun in Pamlico Sound and extend northward through Croatan and Albemarle sounds.

In this work it is the intention to locate on maps prepared by the Coast and Geodetic Survey all the nets, and to determine if they are in any way seriously interfering with the shad and other fish from proceeding up rivers to their spawning grounds. From the work done on the Cape Fear river below Wilmington, Dr. Pratt says there was plenty of open-way for the fish to ascend the river to spawning grounds.

It is the especial object of the visit of these gentlemen to ascertain what this industry amounts to, and how to increase its value, and to learn what laws are necessary, and those that are unnecessary which already exist, and how to equalize all.

Professor Pratt will prepare a report, in which he will suggest to the General Assembly the advisable changes, and urge the legislation which may seem necessary at the conclusion of his investigations.

It is estimated that the fishing industry is worth annually $2,000,000 to the State, and that it is fast being destroyed by the unscientific, impracticable and destructive methods employed in catching the fish. The same, it is said, applies to the oyster industry and a prominent North Carolina packer stated recently that for every oyster used 50 are thrown away.

MORE CARS FOR COAST LINE

Additional Two Thousand Authorized and Being Ordered—Congestion of Freight—Stockholders.

In addition to orders for 2,500 freight cars now out and being delivered, the directors of the Atlantic Coast Line at their meeting in New York last week authorized the purchase of an additional 2,000 of the latest, steel-frame type and these with original orders will be turned out as fast as possible by the contractors. Of this number of cars, a contract has only recently been awarded to the South Atlantic Car and Manufacturing Company, of Waycross and Savannah, Ga., for 500 flats and these will be delivered at once. The stockholders of the company meet in Richmond to-day and from that meeting still other important announcements are expected to come with reference to increased equipments in response to the enlarged business of the system.

From Wilmington and all other important points on the Atlantic Coast Line come reports of congestion of traffic and officials and directors of the company are bending every effort to meet the new conditions. In speaking of the congestion of freight at Florence, the Times of that city says:

"So great is the pressure on the yards that after two o'clock yesterday afternoon no freights entered the yard until late in the night. Several of the higher officers of the Coast Line have been here recently looking into the situation with a view to relieve it if possible. The force there has been having no end of a hard time and the happy conclusion is still at a distance.

"It is not all fertilizers, as has been noted in this paper, but all sorts of general freight has added to the block. The side tracks all up and down the road are filled with cars. The Coast Line has already paid for several cars of perishable freight which could not be delivered."

A correspondent writing from Waycross, Ga., of the car situation says:

"Early last Spring the Atlantic Coast Line placed orders with several car factories throughout the country for 3,500 freight cars. The railroad company was then in great need of the cars, and as the contracts were placed, stipulations were made within a certain period. This period is now past and the Coast Line has only received 1,100 cars of the desired 3,500.

"The car factory at Waycross, Ga. was awarded the contract for 500 cars at the same time orders were placed at other car works, and the Georgia plant is the only one which made full delivery within the time specified in the contract."

RED MEN AT SOUTHPORT.

Flourishing Tribe Instituted on Lower Cape Fear Tuesday Night.

The picked team from Cherokee and Eyota tribes of Improved Order of Red Men, which went to Southport to institute the new tribe of Indians on the lower Cape Fear reservation, returned yesterday morning on the steamer Sea Gate and report a delightful trip. The installation of the new tribe was in the Odd Fellows' Hall and the exercises with an elaborate spread of refreshments by the Southport copper skins lasted from 8 o'clock at night until 4 o'clock yesterday morning. The new tribe is composed of about 35 of the "bravest of the bravest" on the hunting grounds of Fort Caswell and Southport and the band will increase from the ranks of the best citizenship there for some time. Sergeant Meece, of Fort Caswell, was largely instrumental in the organization of the new tribe and secured the dispensation from the Great Council. The council fires will be kindled regularly on the lower Cape Fear in the future.

EXCELLENT RECORD

Annual Meeting of Stockholders of Wilmington Savings and Trust Co. Yesterday

ALL OFFICERS RE-ELECTED

Ordinance Regulating Traffic Thereon Must Be Changed or Made Operative at Once, Says Chief Executive—His Letter.

The following official communication was addressed yesterday by Mayor Waddell to Mr. J. A. Taylor, president of the Chamber of Commerce, which letter is self-explanatory:

"Wilmington, N. C., March 7, 1906.

"Mr. J. Allen Taylor, President, Chamber of Commerce:

"Dear Sir:—I feel it my duty to tell you that unless the merchants on Nutt and Water streets, (for whose benefit this dummy line is operated) shall apply to the Board of Aldermen for a change in the ordinance governing that traffic, I will enforce the law as it stands, which will seriously cripple their business. I again repeat that I do not wish to do this. I desire to do everything in my power for the convenience of the merchants, and if they will formulate their wishes as to the hours for using the cars and the handling of them, I have no doubt the Board of Aldermen will, (unless the conditions are unreasonable) willingly grant the request. As the law now stands the cars are not allowed to stand on the street at any time, day or night, except on Dock street, and can only be run between certain hours. This law is daily violated, but in consideration of the interests involved, it has not been enforced. Instead of criticism the city administration deserves the thanks of the merchants for this liberality of treatment. If, however, the merchants will not ask and the Board of Aldermen do not change the law it will be rigidly enforced at once.

Very respectfully,

A. M. WADDELL, Mayor.

Mayor Waddell said yesterday, in speaking of the law governing the dummy line, which is used practically as a side track for the entire wholsale district, that the ordinance had been amended and sections of it repealed and re-enacted again so often that it required hours of his time in searching the records for a number of years to ascertain definitely just what the law is. He believes from his investigation that the regulations are as stated in his letter to the business men through President Taylor, of the Chamber of Commerce, and as given above. It is presumed that an effort will be made at once by those interested to have the ordinance amended so as not to bring about the chaos that would inevitably result from an enforcement as threatened by the mayor Owing to a congestion of freight, the merchants have been lately moving for more service on the dummy line instead of restricting it as would be the case should the law as interpreted by the Mayor be put into effect. The matter is important to business men and they will no doubt see to their interest in the premises at once. An enforcement of the law as construed by the Mayor would be little less than a calamity upon the wholesalers in the wharf districts.

TO STUDY FLORIDA TRUCKING.

Expert from Carolina Trucking Development Co.—Lettuce Wilt.

Mr. A. S. Root, agricultural expert for the Carolina Trucking Development Company, has gone to Florida for a week or ten days to visit the various vegetable and fruit growing districts and acquaint himself with the best and most profitable crops and methods of their cultivation, in order to be prepared to give the gest advice to the colonists and other persons buying farms of the Carolina Trucking Development Company.

Prof. W. G. Johnson, editor of the American Agriculturist of New York, and one of the best known educators along agricultural lines in this country, is now in Florida conferring with the Board of Trustees of the Florida State Bureau with reference to the trucking industry. Prof. Johnson goes with the Director of the Florida Agricultural Station to Palatka to lay plans for a series of experiments for combatting that peculiar disease to lettuce known as "damping off" or "wilt." The results of this work will be published and distributed broadcast for the benefit of all Southern farmers. Prof. Bessey, director of the sub-tropical station at Miami, will also assist in conducting the experiments at Palatka. The Palatka Board of Trade is co-operating in this important work. If the experiment is successful, it is said that thousand of dollars will be saved to lettuce dealers every year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Transactions Which Appear From Deeds Filed Yesterday.

St. John's Lodge No. 1, A. F. & A. M., to Mrs. Elizabeth R. Savage, for $1 and other considerations, property on north side of Swann street where it intersects the west side of Seventh street, 60 feet on Seventh and 75 feet along Swann street.

J. F. Garrell & Co., Incorporated, to R. H. Beery, for $3,600, eighteen acres of the Sans Souci farm. The same property is subsequently transferred to Roger Moore's Sons & Co.

John C. Boesch and wife to James Young and T. E. Sprunt, for $1,500, seventeen and five-eights acres of land, on the Scott's Hill road; adjoining W. & N. railroad, property of McEachern and others.

Carolina Real Estate Trust Co. to G. E. Bittrich and wife, for $500, farm No. 2., of the Castle Hayne property, containing ten acres, more or less.

For Larceny of Clams.

John Evans, the Wrightsville Sound negro, charged with the larceny of clams, transferred the trial of his case yesterday from Justice Furlong, and it was set before Justice George Harriss. The negro was represented by Marsden Bellamy, Jr., Esq., and probable cause was held. The negro went to jail for the Superior Court in default of $50 bond.

Salvation Army Officers.

Major Elizabeth Barter, who succeeded Major Simonson in charge of the Southeastern district of the Salvation Army with headquarters in Baltimore, arrived yesterday on an official visit to the local post. She was accompanied by Ensign Hattie Core and they held services at the local headquarters last night.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

—Mr. S. H. Glover, of Raleigh, was here yesterday.

—Mr. G. W. Blacknall, of Raleigh, is at The Orton.

—Jackson Greer, Esq., of Whiteville, was here yesterday.

—Mr. Thad S. Hedgpeth, of Wilson, was here yesterday.

—Mr. D. T. McKeithan, of Lumber, S. C., is at The Orton.

—Mr. R. C. Hood, of Greensboro, is a guest at The Orton.

—Jno. A. Oates, Esq., of Fayetteville, is a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. T. M. Jones, of Columbia, S. C., is a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. J. C. Campbell, of Blenheim, S. C., is a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. W. A. J. Soles, of Vineland, was among yesterday's arrivals.

—Mr. W. S. Wilkinson, of Rocky Mount, is a guest at The Orton.

—Mr. A. J. Davis, of Wake Forest, was among last evening's arrivals.

—Col. N. A. McLean and wife, of Lumberton, are guests at The Orton.

—Capt. Thos. McGinn and Messrs. J. I. Ward and H. P. Long, of Little River, S. C., were among the wholesale buyers in the city yesterday.

—Capt. A. D. Brown, accompanied by his daughter, Miss Maggie, left for New York yesterday to buy new goods for the Spring and Summer trade.

—Capt. J. L. Autry, of Autryville; Mr. Ira Lennon, of Whiteville, and Mr. J. H. Holmes, of Councils Station, were here yesterday on business trips.

—Miss Bessie V. Burkheimer, of Charlotte, is in the city, the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Susan V. Burkheimer, No. 114 North Fourth street.

—Mr. S. E. Memory, a leading business man of Whiteville, was here yesterday on his way to New York to buy goods for his large department store in that town.

—Policeman Leon George, who has been laid up in the hospital on account of a bad knee for several months, has resumed his place on the force and has been assigned to duty at headquarters until he is able to resume his regular duties on a beat. His friends are delighted to see him out again.

—Mr. Frank O. Headley, president of the Headley Company, of Baltimore, manufacturers of the famous Headley chocolates and candies, stopped over in Wilmington yesterday on his why to Florida and was the guest of Mr. Carl B. Rehder, of J. H. Rehder & Co., agents in this territory for the line of goods manufactured by Mr. Headley's firm.

FLORIDA TRUCK OUTLOOK.

Tomatoes Move Later Part of Month—Other Crops.

(Jacksonville Times-Union.)

The Florida trucking season is now on in earnest and from now on until the last of the Summer months all kinds of vegetables and fruits will be passing through Jacksonville in carload lots en route to the Northern markets.

At present, celery, cabbage and lettuce are the principal articles moving, but there is still a quantity of oranges going to the Northern markets.

The tomato crop on the East Coast this season, is estimated at about 350,000 crates, and will commence to move about the latter part of March and continue until about the first of June. On account of the wet weather during previous months, throughout the Southeast, the tomato crop, according to the estimate of a well informed man, will be about 700,000 crates short this season.

This crop will be at least a month and a half late in moving, but it is said that the crop is in fine condition, and the East Coast tomatoes, this season, will be finer than ever before.

The potato crop is estimated at about 150,000 barrels. This crop will start to move about April 1, and will continue until about the middle of May. This season's potato crop will be one of the finest in the history of the East Coast.

The pineapple crop for this season is estimated at about 450,000 crates, and will commence to move about June 1, and continue until the middle of August.

All during April the tomato crop will be moving from the lower East Coast, while the potatoes, during the same period, will be moving from the northern end of the coast.

From the above estimates one can get a fair idea of the great truck movement from this section of the State alone. From the present indications the pineapple crop this season will be the largest ever grown on the East Coast.

The truckers have planted larger acreage this season, and the plants are now in a flourishing condition and will yield many large pineapples.

Watermelons and cantaloupes will start to move about the latter part of May or the first of June, and the indications are that there will be an excellent crop this season.

LOANS FOR SCHOOLS.

Substantial Amounts to Robeson, Onslow, Columbus, Richmond, Wayne.

(Special Star Correspondence.)

Raleigh, N. C., March 7.—Some notable loans that were made yesterday by the State Board of Education for the erection of new public school houses were $1,800 to Robeson county to aid in the erection of a $4,000 building at Ashpole; Onslow county, $500 for $1,000 building at Snead's Ferry and $125 for $300 colored school building at Richlands; Columbus county, $500 for $1,000 building at Roseland; $500 for $1,000 building at Williams; $500 toward a $1,500 building at Bogue and $500 toward a $1,000 building at Fair Bluff; Richmond, $175 toward $350 building at Wolf Pit No. 2; $350 toward an $800 building at Wolf Pit No. 7; $150 toward $300 building at Beaver Dam; $150 toward $350 building at Mineral Spring No. 2; $150 toward $325 building at Rockingham, and $150 toward a $300 building at Black Jack. Wayne, $800 toward a $2,000 building at Grantham; $700 toward a $1,400 building at Fork No. 5.

Recovered Another Gun.

Deputy Sheriff Harvey Cox yesterday recovered the gun that was stolen presumably from Messrs. Beery & Blake a few days ago by young Herbert Blake. The gun had been sold for $4 to a son of Mr. W. J. Sear, who keeps a repair shop on Second street, near Van Amringe's auction house. The gun was identified by Mr. R. E. Blake, of the firm of Beery & Blake, and it was sold by a young man answering the description of the young man in jail.

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NOTICE!

Notice is hereby given that the ordinance forbidding the swinging of gates outward on the sidewalks, except where steps or stairways make it impossible to swing them inward, will be enforced under the penalties prescribed from and after April 1st, next ensuing. By order of the Mayor.

N. J. WILLIAMS.
March 6, 1906. Chief of Police.
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The Morning Star.

WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

Thursday Morning, March 8.

THE IMMIGRATION CONFERENCE.

When the movement began for the attraction of immigrantion to North Carolina, The Star,while recognizing the necessity and desirability of an influx of population, called attention to the danger of unrestricted immigration. Attention was called to the fact that several independent companies or organizations had gone into the business of soliciting immigrants, and our fear was that, with no State laws regulating immigration and no bureau to see that only proper immigrants are brought to the State, an undesirable class of people might be brought to North Carolina. However, we had confidence enough in our people to believe that they would not intentionally bring to our section people who could not be assimilated and made good citizens under our system.

We recognized the importance of some State supervision of the immigration business, and we are gratified to note that the movement is taking that shape. The conference at Raleigh on Tuesday between Governor Glenn, State Commissioner of Agriculture S. L. Patterson, and Secretary T. K. Bruner, of the State Department of Agriculture, on the part of the State, and Messrs. Wilbur McKoy, industrial agent for the Atlantic Coast Line, and Mr. M. V. Richards, industrial agent of the Southern Railway, on the other hand, means that such supervision will be had, in some manner at least. A correspondent at Raleigh gives the following account of the conference at Raleigh:

"These gentlemen went over the situation in detail and urged that the solution of the immigration problem was for the State Department of Agriculture to take the work in hand rather than form an alliance, such as has been planned between the State Department of Agriculture, the Pied-Immigration Company, of Greensboro, the Wilmington Company, and the Chambers of Commerce of other sections, and the three principal railroad systems—Southern Atlantic Coast Line and Seaboard.

"In fact they urged that it would be impossible for them as the heads of the Industrial Departments of these railroads to enter into such an organization as is proposed for North Carolina for the special reason that they represent other States just as much as they do North Carolina. Mr. Richardson eight or ten and Mr. McCoy six, so they could not consistently form an alliance of the kind with one State to the detriment of another. Neither could they go into similar organizations in each of the States consistently.

"However, they assured the North Carolina officials that if they would go ahead with their efforts for the attraction of immigrants through the Department of Agriculture they would co-operate in every way possible. They discouraged the idea of attempting to have an ocean steamer touch at Norfolk to let off immigrants for this section, insisting that the immigrants can be handled just as well from New York in fact to a much better advantage.

"They also discouraged the idea of sending agents into the countries of Europe to book immigrants for North Carolina, for the reason that, as they expressed it, it would take such agents at least a year to get in position to command any influence at all. They thought the very best course was for the Department of Agriculture to continue their system of advertising the advantages and resources of the State in other States and abroad and strive for the attraction of desirable immigrants through the regular ports of immigration entry. This work they will have to begin through small beginnings. Get one or two desirable families to locate at a desirable point and work through them and otherwise to attract others of their nationality to come to them. To illustrate that Mr. Richards told of having located two good families of Italians at a point in Mississippi over a year ago and then through their influence and the efforts of his department of the Southern over one hundred other desirable immigrants from the same section were located in a few days with them. This, Mr. Richards insists, is really the only successful and economical way in which this immigration work can be carried on. It is, he says, necessarily slow at first but multiplies wonderfully in growth as the years go by under the system he suggests.

"Both Mr. Richards and Mr. McKoy are heartily in favor of the plan being developed by Governor Glenn and the Department of Agriculture for sending creditable exhibits to the New England fairs next fall. They think much good can be accomplished in this way for advertising the State and attracting desirable immigrants and capital from these States."

The conference, in our judgment, took the proper shape by having the immigration movement supervised by, or at least conducted with the co-operation of the State Agricultural Department. Thus proper safeguards will be thrown around the movement to get new people here, and at the same time all interests can be conserved.

With the proper advertisement of the splendid resources of North Carolina, we see no reason why the very best classes of people should not be induced to come to our great and growing State. As to the exhibit of our resources in New England or at Jamestown or elsewhere, there cannot be too much of it, and we hope the Legislature will, at its next session, provide the means for that valuable method of letting people know how attractive North Carolina is and what matchless inducements our State holds out to good settlers and capitalists.

Says a correspondent of the Greensboro Weekly Tar Heel: "Fellow Republicans, it is up to us, in the name of all that's good, noble, pure and just to rally to the call of the hour. The battle in reality is on. Goodness, truth and honesty must win." The last sentence means that North Carolina will go right ahead trusting the Democratic party for all those qualities.

You do not "know your business" unless you know how to make it bigger and better through advertising.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—A new emigration movement is the moving of the little North Carolina distilleries across the line into Virginia.—Baltimore Sun.

—According to a dispatch from Albany this city may vote by machine in 1908. Certainly will, but which machine?—New York Evening Telegram.

—Party lines seem more or less threatened when Senator Tillman finds himself with the administration and Senator Foraker against it.—Washington Star.

—Dr. Depew is to be dropped from the Yale board of trustees next, they say. There's one thing about it. Every time Dr. Depew is dropped he doesn't have so far to fall.—Boston Globe.

—There is some demand now for Government ownership of public utilities, including railroads, but it is neither loud nor strong. It is not so loud as it was a year or two ago, and it does not seem to be growing louder.—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

—That "revenant" of Ohio politics, Hon. J. Warren Keifer, is now trying to make another ghost walk. He's calling aloud for a reduction of the South's representation in Congress, and his noise is inconsiderate and infringing. The reducing of the South's representation in Congress is Brother Crumpacker's specialty and should be left to him.—Hartford Courant.

—The editor of this paper is here to stay. Some who are kicking against him and his methods will turn their toes up toward the blue vaults long before this editor does and he will be here to note their removal from Stilwell. Some of the people now in Stilwell have to get out of town and they will before the town amounts to anything. —Stilwell (I. T.) Sentinel.

—The committee of the Maryland Legislature which is investigating matters in that State uncovered last week a condition of affairs in which stockholders of profitable branch line railroads have been deprived of their profits that the trunk line might be benefited. The investigation disclosed the astonishing fact that the Baltimore & Ohio has withheld millions of the surplus earnings of the Washington Branch Railroad for the purpose of making extensive improvements on its main line. The money so diverted should have been paid in dividends to the stockholders of the Washington Branch Railroad, which is one of the most profitable of the main line's feeders. This revelation of peculiar financiering will be duplicated quite frequently once a wholesale investigation of railroad management is undertaken by Congress.—Philadelphia Press.

TWINKLINGS.

—Bacon—Did you say it was a case of love at first sight? Egbert—Yes, he saw her in the bank with a fist full of big bills.—Yonker's Statesman.

"I allus predict good weather," said the suburban sage. Why?" Well, if it is good, I git credit fer it, an' if it ain't good the folks allow that I done my best."—Minneapolis Tribune.

—"Well, Plunger has completely lost his reputation," observed Clubsky. "It's a good thing," said his friend. "It was the most objectionable thing about him."—Detroit Free Press.

—"Do you think that a strike will make coal more expensive?" asked one householder. "I don't know whether a strike will do it," answered the other. "But something will."—Washington Star.

—"Do you think that travel will enable that young man to make a better impression?" "Yes," answered Miss Cayenne; "during his absence."—Washington Star.

—"Would you marry a man for money?" "No,' answered Miss Cayenne, "and yet I don't think I should regard a man as being especially desirable because of his poverty."—Washington Star.

—Miss Chinn—I met Miss Gidday's fiance to-day. Miss Ascum—Indeed? Who is he? Miss Chinn—Why, you told me you knew her fiance very well. Miss Ascum—O! but that was nearly a month ago.—Philadelphia Press.

—"No truer words were ever spoken than these: 'A fool and his money are soon parted,'" said the lecturer. "Sure thing," piped a voice from the rear of the hall; "we all gave up 50 cents apiece to get in here."—Yonkers Statesman.

—"I wonder where and when he got religion." What? You mean Tawkington? Why, he hasn't got religion." "Oh! yes he has. He got me in a corner the other day and wanted to know if I was 'prepared to die.'" "Of course. He's a life insurance agent." —Philadelphia Press.

—"What brough you here, my poor man?" inquired the prison visitor." "Well, lady," replied the prisoner, "I guess my trouble started from attendin' too many weddin's." "Ah! you learned to drink there, or steal, perhaps?" "No, lady; I was always the bride-groom."—Philadelphia Press.

ANDREW HAMILTON RETURNS.

Insurance Legislative Generalissimo Will Face the Music.

New York, March 6.—Andrew Hamilton returned to New York today on the steamer Deutschland, on which he was registered under the name of W. Milton. Mr. Hamilton was at the head of the legislative bureau of the New York Life Insurance Company and had charge of the legislative work of several of the large companies. To obtain an accounting from him of moneys alleged to have been advanced to him by the late John A. McCall, as president of the New York Life, John C. McCall secretary of the company, went to Paris recently. The accounting was asked for by the Fowler committee which is investigating the New York Life affairs. Commenting today on John A. McCall's death, Mr. Hamilton said he gave the former president of the New York Life vouchers for all expenditures, and that to any and all of these vouchers Mr. McCall would have given a certificate of indisputable character. He said that he registered under an assumed name on the Deutschland in order to have his return voyage free from annoyance. He said: "What I suppose you want to know is why I have returned. Well, I heard something about criminal proceedings, and here I am. Though my health is far from re-established, I am ready to accept any challenge implied by such proceedings. "As to what others have said and done during my absence—and, I might allude to those who live in glass houses—I will say nothing.'

"You have come back to face the music?" he was asked.

"Yes, discordant or otherwise."

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

(Quoted officially at the closing by the Chamber of Commerce.)

STAR OFFICE, Feb. 22, 1906.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE — Market nothing doing.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market firm at $1.80 per barrel of 280 pounds.

CRUDE TURPENTINE — Market firm at $3.25 per barrel for hard, $5.00 for dip, and $5.00 for Virgin.

Quotation same day last year—spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin, firm, $2.50 bid; tar firm, $1.60; crude turpentine firm at $2.30, $3.70.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	12
Rosin	56
Tar	145
Crude	11

Receipts same day last year—16 casks spirits turpentine, 171 barrels rosin, 143 barrels tar, 57 barrels crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market—Steady, 10 1-2.

Same day last year—Firm, 7 1-4c.

Receipts—92 bales; same day last, year, 367 bales.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

(Corrected Regularly by Wilmington Produce Commission Merchants, prices representing those paid for produce consigned to Commission Merchants.)

PEANUTS—North Carolina, Prime, 60c.; extra prime, 70c.; fancy, 75@80c.; per bushel of twenty-eight pounds. Virginia—Prime, 40c.; extra prime, 45c.; fancy, 50c.; Spanish, 85@90c.

CORN—Firm: 62 1-2@65c. per bushel for white.

N. C. BACON—Steady, hams, 15 to 16c. per pound; shoulders, 11 to 12; sides dull, 11 to 12.

EGGS—Dull, 15 to 16.

CHICKENS—Dull, Springs, 15c to 25c.; Grown, 30 to 35.

BEESWAX—Firm, at 26@27c.

TALLOW—Firm at 4 1-2@5c. per pound.

SWEET POTATOES—Firm at 50c@55c. per bushel.

BEEF CATTLE—Dull at 2 to 3 1-2c. pound.

TURKEYS—Firm, 15c for live; dressed, 18 to 20c.

HIDES—Dry salted, 12c.; green, 8c. per pound.

PORK—Dull, 6 to 7; hams, 8 to 10.

THE COTTON MARKETS.

New York, March 7.—The cotton market was nervous and unsettled during the day's trading and closed at a net decline of 6 to 8 points. Sales wer estimated at 250,000 bales. The chief cause of selling appeared to be reports that a couple of prominent mills were cutting prices on cotton goods. The market opened steady at an advance of 3 to 5 points with the active months selling at new high figures for the upward movement right after the call. May touched 10.87 and July at 10.98 or about 42 to 47 points above the low level of last week. The early advance was due to steady cables and big spot sales in the English market while there was also some buying on reports of delayed crop preparations in the southwest as a result of rains. The weather forecast was for clearing conditions, however, and the market sagged off during the morning on realizing by Stock Exchange longs and a little selling by trade interests. Declining to about the closing prices of yesterday, the market ruled quiet and irregular during the middle session but turned heavy in the afternoon on the reports of cuts in prominent lines of cotton goods. The close was steady but within a point or two of the lowest.

Receipts at the ports to-day 19,130 bales, against 17,019 last week, and 24,230 last year. For the week (estimated) 90,000 bales, against 104,061 last week and 169,664 last year. To-day's receipts at New Orleans 9,8.5 bales against 1,273 last year and at Houston 5,911 bales, against 14,105 last year.

Cotton—spot closed quiet, five points lower; middling uplands 11.25; middling gulf 11.50. No sales.

Futures opened and closed steady. Quotations ranged as follows:

Opening—March, 10.63; April, 10.75; May, 10.85; June, 10.80 bid; July, 10.98; August, 10.90; September, 10.50; October, 10.39; November, 10.41; December, 10.41; January, 10.45.

Close—March, 10.56; April, 10.62; May, 10.76; June, 10.80; July, 10.87; August, 10.81; September, 10.40; October, 10.30; November, 10.31; December, 10.34; January, 10.38.

Port Movement.

Galveston—Steady, 10 7-8c.; net receipts, 7,128 bales.

New Orleans—Quiet, 10 3-16c.; net receipts, 9,845 bales.

Mobile—Steady, 10 3-4c.; net receipts, 852 bales.

Savannah — Quiet and Steady, 10 9-16c.; net receipts, 852 bales.

Charleston—Firm, 10 1-2c.; net receipts, 33 bales.

Wilmington—Steady, 10 1-2c.; net receipts, 92 bales.

Norfolk—Steady, 11c.; net receipts. 727 bales.

Baltimore—Nominal, 11 1-8c.

New York—Quiet, 11.25.

Boston—Quiet, 11.25; net receipts, 150 bales.

Philadelphia—Quiet, 11.50; net receipts, 151 bales.

Miscellaneous — Net receipts. 64 bales.

Total to-day, at all ports—Net, 19,130 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 4,733 bales; Continent, 2,685 bales; Stock, 788.944 bales.

Consolidated, at all ports—Net, 78,195 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 35,958 bales; Contient, 49,301 bales.

Total since September 1st. at all ports—Net, 6,332,851 bales. Exports: Great Britain, 2,200,294 bales; France, 581.152 bales; Continent; 1,830,459 bales; Japan, 65,920 bales; Mexico, 2,414 bales.

Interior Movement.

Houston—Steady, 10 7-8c.; net receipts, 5,911 bales.

Augusta—Quiet and Steady, 11c.; net receipts, 245 bales.

Memphis—Steady, 11c.; net receipts, 805 bales.

St. Louis—Quiet, 11c.; net receipts 315 bales.

Cincinnati—Net receipts, 684 bales.

Louisville—Firm, 11 1-8c.

Liverpool Cotton Market.

Liverpool, March 7.—Cotton—Spot, good business done; prices six points higher. American middling fair 6.47; good middling, 6.13d; middling 5.95d; low middling 5.79d; good ordinary 5.61d; ordinary 5.45d. The sales of the day were 20,000 bales, of which 1,500 were for speculation and export, and included 18,300 bales African. Receipts 26,000 bales, including 24,200 bales American. Futures opened firm and closed quiet. American middling G. O. C. March 5.78d; March and April 5.78d; April and May 5.80d; May and June 5.82d; June and July 5.84d; July and August 5.86d; August and September 5.83d; September and October 5.65d; October and November 5.61d; November and December 5.60.

NEW YORK FINANCIAL

New York, March 7.—Money on call easier 4@5 per cent, ruling rates 4 3-4@5, closing bid 3, offered at 5. Time loans steady; 60 days and 90 days 5 1-2 per cent; six months 5 1-4@5 1-2. Prime mercantile paper 5@5 1-2 per cent. Sterling exchange easy with actual business in bankers' bills at 485.60 @485.65 for demand and at 482.50@482.55 for sixty day bills. Posted rates 483 1-2 and 487. Commercial bills 482. Bar silver 64 1-8. Mexican dollars 49 1-2.

N. Y. Bonds.

U. S. refunding, 3s reg.	103
U. S. refunding, 2s cou.	103 1-2
U. S. 3s reg	103
U. S. 3s cou.	103
U. S. old, 4s reg.	102 3-4
U. S. old, 4s cou	103 3-4
U. S. New 4s reg	130
U. S. New 4s cou	130
American Tobacco, 4s cert.	79 1-8
American Tobacco, 5s cert	116
Atlantic Coast Line, 5s cert	99 1-2
Baltimore and Ohio	104 1-4
L. & N. Unified, 5s	102 7-8
Seaboard Air Line	90
Southern Railway, 5s	118 1-2
U. S. Steel, 2d 5s	98 1-4

Closing Stock List.

Amalgamted Copper	104 1-8
American Sugar Refining	138 3-8
American Tobacco, pfd., cert.	104
Atlantic Coast Line	156
Baltimore & Ohio	109 5-8
Baltimore & Ohio, pfd	95 3-4
Chesapeake & Ohio	55 3-8
Louisville & Nashville	144 3-4
Manhattan L	157
New York Central	145 1-4
Norfolk & Western	86 3-8
Norfolk & Western, pfd	90
People's Gas	96 1-2
Reading	127 7 8
Reading, 1st pfd	90
Reading, 2nd pfd	96
Southern Pacific	65 3-8
Southern Pacific, pfd	117 1-2
Southern Railway	39 3-4
Southern Railway, pfd	100 1-2
Tenn., Coal & Iron	146
U. S. Steel	40 1-8
U. S. Steel, pfd	105 1-4
Va.-Car. Chemical	50 1-4
Va.-Car. Chemical. pfd	114
S. A. L., com	—
S. A. L., pfd	—
Standard Oil	665
Western Union	93 1-2

CHICAGO PRODUCE MARKET

Chicago, March 7.—A decline of almost two cents a bushel in the price of wheat for May delivery occurred here to-day as a result of general liquidation and selling for short account. Ideal weather conditions in the southwest for the crop were the chief causes of the weakness. At the close the May option showed a net loss of 1 3-4@1 7-8. Corn was down 3-8@1-2. Oats were 1-4@3-8 lower. Provisions were 2 1-2@5c lower.

The leading futures ranged as follows:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Wheat, No. 2.—				
May	78⅝	78⅞	77	77⅛
July	79	79¼	77¾	77⅞
Sept.	78⅞	79	77⅝	77⅝
Corn, No. 2.—				
May	43⅝	43⅞	43¼	43¼
July	43⅜	44	43⅜	43⅜
Sept.	44⅛	44⅜	43⅝	43⅞
Oats, No. 2.—				
May	30⅛	30¼	29⅞	30
July	29⅜	29⅝	29¼	29⅛
Sept	28⅜	28½	28¼	28⅜
Mess Pork, per bbl.—				
May	15.67½	15.70	15.60	15.70
July	15.60	15.65	15.60	15.62½
Short Ribs, per 100 lbs.—				
May	7.80	7.85	7.80	7.82½
July	7.90	7.95	7.90	7.92½
Sept	....	....	....	8.05
Lard, per 100 lbs.—				
May	8.20	8.30	8.20	8.25
July	8.27½	8.32½	8.27½	8.30

Cash quotations were as follows:

Flour, weak; No. 2 spring wheat. 77@79 1-2; No. 3 spring wheat, 72@79; No. 2 red, 78 1-2@80; No. 2 corn, 41; No. 2 yellow, 41@41 1-4; No. 2 oats, 29 3-4; No. 2 white. 31 1-4@32; No. 3 white, 29 1-2@30 1-2; No. 2 rye, 60; Mess pork, per bbl., 15.60@15.65; Lard, per 100 lbs., 7.72½; Short ribs sides (loose), 8.10@8.15; Short clear sides (boxed), 8.45@8.55; Whiskey, basis of High Wines. 1.28.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKET

New York, March 7.—Flour dull and lower.

CORN MEAL—Firm.

WHEAT—Weak; No. 2 red, 82 7-8; May, 84 1-8; July, 84 1-8; September, 83 1-4.

CORN—Firm; No. 2, 50, elevator. Options unchanged to 1-4c. net lower. May. 49 1-4; July, 49 3-8; September, 50.

OATS—Steady; mixed, 34 1-2@35.

BEEF—Steady.

CUTS MEATS—Steady.

LARD—Easy; Western prime, 7.80 @7.85; refined, easy.

PORK—Firm.

TALLOW—Steady.

RICE—Steady.

MOLASSES—Steady.

COFFEE—Spot rice quiet. Mild, quiet. Futures firm at an advance of 5 to 10 points.

SUGAR—Raw. firm; fair refining, 2 15-16; centrifugal 96 test, 3 7-16; Molasses sugar, 2 11-16. Refined, steady.

Butter—Irregular.

CHEESE—Irregular. State and large small, colored and white, fancy, 14@14 1-4; common, 11@13.

EGGS — Steady; Western firsts, 15¼; Southerns, 13@15½.

POTATOES—Weak; Bermuda second crop per bbls, $3.50@$3.60; old domestics, 1.50@2.00; sweets steady; Jersey per bbls., $1.50@$2.75.

CABBAGE—Easy, unchanged.

FREIGHTS and PEANUTS—Steady and unchanged.

COTTON SEED OIL—Firm and higher in sympathy with crude and on moderate buying by the west. Prime crude f. o. b. mills, 25 1-2 to 26. prime Summer yellow, 32 1 4 @ 32 3-4; Prime white, 35@35 1-2; Prime Winter yellow, 35@35 1-2.

THE DRY GOODS MARKET.

New York, March 7.—Weakness developed in one quarter of the dry goods market to-day when leading tickets of bleached goods were dropped from one-half to one-eighth of a cent. The general market has been unsettled by the revision of prices coming in the middle of an unusually quiet week.

NAVAL STORES.

New York, March 7.—Turpentine and rosin firm.

Savannah, Ga., March 7.—Turpentine, 69 1-2; sales, 77; receipts, 33; shipments, 32. Rosin, firm; sales, 624; receipts, 986; shipments, 5,755; stock, 39,055. Quote: A. B. C. D. E. F., 4.10; G., 4.10@4.15; H., 4.25; I., 4.55; K., 5.20; M., 5.45; N., 5.90; W G., 6.10; W. W., 6.20.

Charleston, S. C., March 7.—Turpentine, firm, 69; sales, none. Rosin, firm; sales. none. Quote: A. B. C. D. E. F. and G., 3.75; H., 4.00; I., 4.30; K., 4.80; M., 5.00; N., 5.70; W G., 5.90; W. W., 6.00.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take LAXATIVE BROMO Quinine Tablets. Druggists refund money if it fails to cure. E. W. GROVE'S signature is on each box. 25c.

CASTORIA.

Bears the Signature of Chas. H. Fletcher. The Kind You Have Always Bought

There is One Soda Cracker and Only One.
You do not know that Soda Cracker until you know

Uneeda Biscuit

To taste **Uneeda Biscuit** is to fall in love with them. You never forget that first taste, and you renew it every time you eat **Uneeda Biscuit** —

5¢ *In a dust tight, moisture proof package.*

NATIONAL BISCUIT COMPANY

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Str. Compton, Jacobs, Little River, S. C., Stone & Co.

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MARINE DIRECTORY.

List of Vessels Now in Port of Wilmington, N. C.

Barque.

Hattie G. Dixon, 470 tons, Shanklin, Carteret, N. J.

Schooners.

Jno. R. Fell, 281 tons, Loveland, C. D. Mafflt.

Edith H. Symington, 881 tons, Stiles, C. D. Mafflt.

Carrie A. Bucknam, 235 tons, Torrey, C. D. Mafflt.

Job H. Jackson, 494 tons, Pearce. C. D. Mafflt.

Massachusetts, 437 tons, Lane, New York.

Edgar C. Ross, 379 tons, Quillen, Baltimore.

Wm. H. Davidson, 272 tons, Maxwell, Baltimore.

BY RIVER AND RAIL.

Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

Wilmington, N. C., March, 7, 1906.

C. C. Railroad—10 bales cotton, 4 barrels rosin, 72 barrels tar, 9 barrels crude turpentine.

W. & W. Railroad—2 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—79 bales cotton, 2 casks spirits turpentine. 21 barrels rosin, 26 barrels tar, 2 barrels crude turpentine.

A. & Y. Railroad—10 barrels rosin, 18 barrels tar.

Str. Alice—4 casks spirits turpentine, 21 barrels rosin, 6 barrels tar.

Str. Compton—3 bales cotton, 6 casks spirits turpentine, 21 barrels tar.

Total—92 bales cotton, 12 casks spirits turpentine. 56 barrels rosin, 145 barrels tar, 11 barrels crude turpentine.

Doctors Are Puzzled.

The remarkable recovery of Kenneth McIver, of Vanceboro, Me., is the subject of much interest to the medical fraternity and a wide circle of friends. He says of his case: "Owing to severe inflammation of the Throat and congestion of the Lungs, three doctors gave me up to die, when, as a last resort, I was induced to try Dr. King's New Discovery and I am happy to say, it saved my life." Cures the worst Coughs and Colds, Bronchitis, Tonsilitis, Weak Lungs, Hoarseness and La Grippe. Guaranteed at all Druggists. 50c. and $1.00. Trial bottle free. **

Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup has been used for over 60 years by millions of mothers for their children while teething, with perfect success. It soothes the child, softens the gums, allays all pain, cures wind colic, and is the best remedy for Diarrhoea. It will relieve the poor little sufferer immediately. Sold by Druggists in every part of the world. Twenty-five cents bottle. Be sure and ask for "Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup," and take no other kind. **

WORKS WONDERS.

A Wonderful Compound Cures Piles, Eczema, Skin Itching, Skin Eruptions, Cuts and Bruises.

Doan's Ointment is the best skin treatment, and the cheapest, because so little is required to cure. It cures piles after years of torture. It cures obstinate cases of eczema. It cures all skin itching. It cures skin eruptions. It heals cuts, bruises, scratches and abrasions without leaving a scar. It cures permanently. Wilmington testimony proves it.

J. S. King, clerk on Market street, residing at 815 Orange street, says: "I used Doan's Ointment and found it to be a great remedy for itching hemorrhoids. It acted like a charm in my case. I tried all kinds of remedies, but until I used Doan's Ointment I could get nothing to give me positive relief. It is a splendid preparation and you are welcome to use my name as one who says so. I obtained it at R. R. Bellamy's drug store."

For sale by all dealers. Price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, New York, sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—Doan's—and take no other.

A Scientific Wonder.

The cures that stand to its credit make Bucklen's Arnica Salve a scientific wonder. It cured E. R. Mulford, lecturer for the Patrons of Husbandry, Waynesboro, Pa., of a distressing case of Piles. It heals the worst Burns, Sores, Boiles, Ulcers, Cuts, Wounds, Chilblains and Salt Rheum. Only 25c. at all Druggists. **

Pinehurst, the Peerless, Easily and Cheaply Reached Via Seaboard Air Line from Wilmington, N. C.

The Seaboard Air Line is selling a special round trip ticket, Wilmington to Pinehurst, and return at $7.20, good to May 31st. By taking train at 3:00 P. M. you can reach Pinehurst same day. Pinehurst is famous for its magnificent Hotels, superb Golf course and numerous other attractions. Handsomely illustrated booklets and general information regarding this delightful Winter resort can be obtained from C. H. Gattis, T. P. A., Raleigh, or W. B. Rose, C. T. A., No. 105 Princess street, Wilmington, N. C. **

Boy, about 14, wanted at the Star office to work. **

The barge Hamilton Fish, owned by The C. Dunham Company, of New York, was destroyed by fire at sea four miles off the Barnegat Life Saving station yesterday. The captain and crew were taken off by the tug which had the barge in tow. The vessel was left burning and the tug proceeded on its trip.

TO KILL THE DANDRUFF GERM.

Is the Only Possible Way of Having An Effective Cure.

If you see a woman or a man with luxuriant glossy hair, you may be sure neither has dandruff to amount to anything. In nearly every case where women and men have thin brittle hair, they owe it to dandruff. There are hundreds of preparations that "claim" to cure dandruff, but not one but Newbro's Herpicide tells you that dandruff is the result of a germ burrowing into the scalp, and that permanent cure of dandruff and its consequent falling and baldness, can only be had by killing the germ; and there is no other preparation that will destroy that germ but Newbro's Herpicide. "Destroy the cause, and you remove the effect." Sold by leading druggists. Send 10c. in stamps for sample to The Herpicide Co., Detroit Mich.

HARDIN'S PHARMACY, Special Agent.

Send in your orders for the famous

Harris Lithia Water

The strongest Lithia Water known and

Harris' Lithia Ginger Ale.

The best in the market.

A trial will convince you.

H. L. VOLLERS.

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Mr. David Bendann

of Baltimore and New York

respectfully invites you and your friends to view an Exhibition of

FINE ETCHINGS, ENGRAVINGS, OLD ENGLISH COLORED PRINTS AND WATER COLORS.

for a few days only, March 8 to 17th.

C. W. Yates & Co.

117 Market Street.

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Seed Potatoes!

Just arrived—A car-load Red Bliss, White Bliss and Early Rose.

500 TONS GUANO—ALL KINDS.

A large line of Groceries. Call or write for quotations, we can give you close prices.

Brooks & Taylor

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Rice! Rice!

Seventy Thousand Pounds ALL GRADES AT A BARGAIN. Prices and Samples furnished on request.

STONE & CO.,

P. S.—Would like to buy gentle pony for family use. Call to see us. mch. 4-tf.

The Cape Fear Paving and Contracting Co.

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Granolithic Sidewalks, Cement Sidewalks, Street Paving, Cement Blocks, Cement Fences, Ornamental Cement Work

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MEN AND WOMEN. Use Big G for unnatural discharges, inflammations, irritations or ulcerations of mucous membranes. Painless, and not astringent or poisonous. Sold by Druggists or sent in plain wrapper, by express, prepaid, for $1.00, or 3 bottles $2.75. Circular sent on request.

Old papers for sale. Apply at the Star office. tf.

STAR BUSINESS LOCALS!

The Star will send, without charge, A. D. T. (Western Union) Messengers to your place of business or residence for advertisements for our Business Locals department. 'Phone the Star Office, No. 51.

Rates—Twenty-five cents for each insertion of twenty-five words, or less. Additional words, more than twenty-five, one cent per word. Positively, cash in advance.

The A. D. T. Messengers will also call for telegrams for the Western Union Telegraph Co.; or for notes or small packages to be delivered anywhere in the city. No charge for the telegrams, and but a small charge for notes and small packages. For this service call Western Union, 'Phone 2. But for advertisements always call the Star Office, 'Phone 51.

LOST.—UNTRAINED BLACK AND white pet setter; answers to name of "Smutty;" no collar; black spotted nose, suitable reward if returned to Dixie Cafe or Orrell and Alexander's stables. mar-8 3t

FOR SALE.—MY PRACTICE, $2000 collectible yearly; drugs and office fixtures cheap. If interested write at once. Dr. O. F. Smith, Magnolia, N. C. mar-8 3t

NOTICE.—PERSONS HAVING GATES swinging outward and wishing same changed, can call 'Phone No. 1224 and get an experienced man to do it. E. L. Burris. mar-8 1tp

ACTIVE MAN WANTED IN EACH county to exhibit, demonstrate, and advertise staple line; salary $18 weekly, $3 per day for expenses. No capital required. Honesty and sobriety more essential than experience. National Co., 729 Chestnut St., Philadelphia. mch7-4t

WANTED AT ONCE FIVE FIRST-class Coat makers and two pants makers; best prices. The Take-Down Co., Charlotte, N. C. mch7-3t

FOR SALE.—A SOUND, YOUNG AND gentle horse, a good driver and heavy enough to work to dray or cart. Apply to H. E. Bonitz, Odd Fellows' Building. mch6 2t

SWEET LIPS SHOULD TASTE THE sweet delicacies served at "The Oasis." For instance, Sliced Pineapple, Bananas, and whipped cream, hot chocolate with Whipped Cream, home-made Cakes, Sandwiches with home-made Rolls, Vegetable Soups, Clam Bouillon, tomato Bouillon, Beef Tea, Malt Coffee, the best cereal coffee made. We delight to please the ladies. ja2-tf

A YOUNG MAN WHO IS EXPERI-enced in feeding Job Presses is wanted at the Star office. Must be sober and reliable. Apply at once. mch2-tf

COLD STORAGE.—BUTTER CHEESE, Apples, Onions, Potatoes, Cabbage, Oranges and Tangerines. We buy only in car-load lots, and can undersell the other fellow. 'Phone, 94. Wm. E. Worth & Co. ja14-tf

FOR RENT.—FURNISHED ROOM. Apply to 608 Orange St. fe4-tf

FRESH ARRIVALS.—BANANAS, AP-ples, Onions, Oranges, Cabbage, and Irish Potatoes. Two cars just arrived. A. S. Winstead. oc22-tf

FOR SALE.—400 BUSHELS NORTON Yam Slips. Apply to W. A. Moore, Southport, N. C. mar4-4t*

TOO BUSY TO WRITE ADVERTISE-ments. Wilmington Pressing Club. fe25-tf

DO YOU WISH TO RENT A HOUSE, or have you a house to let? If so, advertise in this column of the Star.

CALL 'PHONE 547 WHEN YOU WANT a nice Chicken dinner, or N. C. Hams, country Sausage fresh every week. Full line groceries. Will appreciate your orders. S. F. Craig. ja 29 tf

HAVE YOU LOST OR FOUND ANY-thing? Do you want furnished or unfurnished rooms, or have you such rooms to let? If so, advertise in this column of the Star jy24-tf

NOTICE TO THE FARMERS.—WELL sell you for cash or on time, our phosphate lime. It not only greatly increases your crops but rebuilds your soil. If you knew its value you would not fail to use it. For information write B. F. Keith, Wilmington, N. C. fe-22 tf

WANTED IN EACH STATE SALES-men to sell large line tobacco. Permanent position. Central Tobacco Co., Penicks, Va. mar4-5t*

Advertisement for proposals. Office Custodian, Custom House Building, Wilmington, N. C., March 5, 1906. Sealed Proposals will be received at this building until 2 o'clock P. M., March 20th, for furnishing fuel, lights, water, ice, miscellaneous supplies, washing towels, hauling ashes, and sprinkling streets for this building during the fiscal year ending June 30th, 1907, or such portion of the year as may be deemed advisable. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved by the Treasury Department. B. F. KEITH, Cuscodian. mch6-2t

GET THE BEST.

Come to the Climax Barber Shop, No. 7 South Front Street. Skilled artists, sharp razors and polite attention.

GUION & DAVIS.

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129 MARKET | **CHAS. BLOMME** | 129 MARKET

Special Sale on Blankets.

SPECIAL SALE ON BLANKETS.

Having a broken lot of these special numbers, we will close them out at cost, as long as they last.

10-4 All-Wool Scarlet Blankets, was $4.00, now $3.25

10-4 White Blankets, sold for $3.00, now $2.50

11-4 White Blankets, sold for $5.00, now $3.75

11-4 White Blankets, sold for $4.00, now $3.00

Ladies' Initial Handkerchiefs, all pure linen, worth $1.50 doz., to go at ..... $

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The Kind You Have Always Bought, and which has been in use for over 30 years, has borne the signature of Chas. H. Fletcher and has been made under his personal supervision since its infancy. Allow no one to deceive you in this. All Counterfeits, Imitations and "Just-as-good" are but Experiments that trifle with and endanger the health of Infants and Children—Experience against Experiment.

What is CASTORIA

Castoria is a harmless substitute for Castor Oil, Paregoric, Drops and Soothing Syrups. It is Pleasant. It contains neither Opium, Morphine nor other Narcotic substance. Its age is its guarantee. It destroys Worms and allays Feverishness. It cures Diarrhœa and Wind Colic. It relieves Teething Troubles, cures Constipation and Flatulency. It assimilates the Food, regulates the Stomach and Bowels, giving healthy and natural sleep. The Children's Panacea—The Mother's Friend.

GENUINE CASTORIA ALWAYS

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The Kind You Have Always Bought

In Use For Over 30 Years.

THE CENTAUR COMPANY, 77 MURRAY STREET, NEW YORK CITY.

Spring Styles

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EXTRA QUALITY DUNLAP & CO. CELEBATED HATS

Will Be Shown To-Day.

Dunlap Styles Lead in Fashionable Headwear

J. M. SOLKY & CO.,

Masonic Temple Building. Wilmington, N. C.

Exclusive Agents.

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SECURITY

THE ATLANTIC NATIONAL BANK.

Capital .....$125,000.00 Surplus .....$225,000.00, al. earned

One of the few banks in the United States that pays no interest on any form of deposit—enabling us to keep money on hand without loss, rather than lend on doubtful paper. The Chemical National Bank, New York, is our correspondent. They pay no interest, their stock worth over $4,000 per share. We offer you absolute security.

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We

YOU CAN GET PRESCRIPTIONS FILLED HERE AT ANY HOUR OF THE NIGHT.

Know that most every family has a preference when it comes to drug stores, which is perfectly legitimate, but there are times when you can't get them—"their line is busy"—and you will call another store—let that be our store; we have three 'phones and you can always get good service here.

"COMP. BICYCLE DELIVERY."

JAS. M. HALL, Druggist,

Both Phones. Corner 5th and Castle streets.

Feb 27 tf

500 Cords

Seasoned Oak, Black Jack, and Pine Wood Cut, and Split any size.

Eureka Blocks.

coal is the best for grates. We have it. Prompt service, and satisfaction guaranteed.

We Respectfully solicit your orders.

THORPE & APPLEGATE

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REMOVAL!

THE ONLY RESTAURANT

HAS MOVED TO

118 MARKET STREET,

OVER TAYLOR'S BAZAAR.

Board and Lodging by the day, week or month. Rooms nicely furnished. Oysters and Game in season. "Short Orders" filled promptly.

MRS. GEO. ULMER & SON, Proprietors.

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Have You Ever

Called 1013 when you wanted Fancy Butter, Choice La Guayra Coffee, Falada Teas or N. C. Hams.

Cape Fear Trading Co.

J. B. TAYLOR, Manager.

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OUR INTEREST QUARTER

begins with March 1.

Deposits on or before that date will draw interest immediately

ATLANTIC TRUST & BANKING CO.

Feb. 28-tf.

Special Sale!

We will sell on Saturday only, these well known brands of Cigars, 25 to the box—

Asterians $1.25
La Challencia 1.75

"The Gem Cigar Store,"

WM. STRUTHERS, Manager.

'Phone 190.

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HUGH MacRAE & CO.,

WE BUY AND SELL ON COMMISSION,

SOUTHERN SECURITIES, COTTON MILL STOCKS. North and South Carolina State Bonds.

ALSO STOCKS LISTED ON NEW YORK AND BALTIMORE STOCK EXCHANGES.

DR. PIERCE'S GOLDEN MEDICAL DISCOVERY FOR THE BLOOD, LIVER, LUNGS.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE

—It is estimated that more than a million dollars has been invested in Charlotte real estate within the past three months.

—The Alton Manufacturing Co., at Mebane, is chartered for the manufacture of counches, lounges, parlor suits and other upholstered goods; authorized capital stock $25,000; incorporators, F. H. Alton, W. W. Corbett, A. N. Scott, all of Mebane.

—Solicitor C. C. Lyon will not be a candidate for re-election, but is a candidate for judge against Judge Thos. A. McNeill, who is a candidate for re-election. There are several candidates for solicitor, among them N. A. Sinclair and A. S. Hall, of Cumberland.

—Lumberton Argus: As advertised, the McLeod-Proctor tract of about ninety acres, lying north of town, was put up for sale Monday. It was bid off at $56 an acre by Mr. R. D. Caldwell. The commissioners, however, declared that they would report unfavorably on the sale, averring that the land is worth more.

—Winston dispatch: "A man by the name of Campbell committed suicide in his rooms over the United States revenue offices here to-night about 8 o'clock, by shooting himself in the head with a pistol. He did not die immediately, but was removed to the Twin-City Hospital, where he expired a few moments later. Campbell was a stonemason and resided at Mount Airy. He arrived here this afternoon with his 16-year-old daughter with the intention of making his home here. No cause is known for his rash deed. His daughter was not in the room when he fired the fatal shot."

—Washington dispatch: "Joseph C. Webster, of Asheville, N. C., who was serving his third enlistment as a member of the United States Marine Corps, committe suicide at the Marine barracks to-day by slashing his throat with a razor. The deed was committed shortly after he received a letter from Asheville, and when discovered he had the letter in one hand and the blood-stained razor in the other. The deceased, who was 28 years of age, had been drinking lately. It is said that he received each day a letter from Asheville and sent one in return."

—Raleigh News and Observer: "The citizens of Spring Hope recently complained to the Corporation Commission of inadequate passenger train facilities between that town and Rocky Mount, and the Commission took the matter up with the Atlantic Coast Line Railway. It was announced yesterday by the Commission that the railroad has agreed to establish an extra passenger train operating between Spring Hope and Rocky Mount, effective March 10th, in order to accommodate and grant relief to the petitioners. This extra train is an excellent example of the growth and enterprise of the hustling town of Spring Hope.

—Raleigh News and Observer: "A private hearing was held yesterday to pass upon the accounts of W. J. Edwards, of Sanford, ex-receiver of the Southern Saw Mills and Lumber Company, before H. F. Seawell, Esq., of Carthage. The hearing was an all-day one. Mr. R. E. Lee, of Lumberton, and Mr. Iredell Meares, of Wilmington, represented the complainants, and Mr. J. N. Holding and Mr. W. B. Jones, of this city, were counsel for the receiver. Mr. Edwards is ill at Sanford, and was unable to be present at the hearing. Debts and costs to the amount of $14,800, of the Carolina and Northern, which was sued by the Atlantic Seaboard Company, were settled yesterday. The purchasers of the road paid the debts. Mr. H. F. Seawell, of Carthage, special master, received $3,000.

—A dispatch from Wadesboro says: Monroe Scales and his brother, two negroes who live about eight miles south of this place, came to town yesterday and after imbibing right freely of the "white lightning" dispensations of our several places here, started home. On their way some time in the night it is said that they fell out over four gallons which they had along for company, and Monroe, thinking that he had a better right to the four gallon keg than his brother, and desiring to exercise complete control over said keg and own its precious contests in severalty, proceeded to play Cain with his brother, and shot him down, killing him instantly. But unlike Cain, when he is sought by the custodians of the law to account for his brother he cannot be found."

The Old Wharton insurance law, repealed a few years ago, and revised this session as the Williams' bill, was favorably reported to the Virginia Senate yesterday, having already passed the House. It is intended to prevent all combination of insurance companies to fix rates. The Wharton law drove what is known as the Southeastern Tariff Association out of business in Virginia.

Torture by Savages.

"Speaking of the torture to which some of the savage tribes in the Philippines subject their captives, reminds me of the intense suffering I endured for three months from inflammation of the Kidneys," says W. M. Sherman, of Cushing, Me., "Nothing helped me until I tried Electric Bitters, three bottles of which completely cured me." Cures Liver Complaint, Dyspepsia, Blood disorders and Malaria; and restores the weak and nervous to robust health. Guaranteed by all Druggists. Price 50c. **

PRESS FOR SALE

A Cottrell & Babcock Cylinder press, bed 31x46, rack and screw distribution, will be sold at a very low price for cash to make way for a new and faster press. This is an old press but still does good work as may be seen by examination of the Star. Can be delivered, boxed for shipment, in March. May be seen in operation at the office. Address Wm H. Bernard, Wilmington, N. C. tf.**

A Lively Tussel

with that old enemy of the race, Constipation, often ends in appendicitis. To avoid all serious trouble with Stomach, Liver and Bowels, take Dr. King's New Life Pills. They perfectly regulate these organs, without pain or discomfort. 25c. at all Druggists. **

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WE HAVE

Two Mules For Sale.

Call early and secure a bargain

Get our prices on Guano, Sulphate and Muriate Potash, Nitrate Soda.

Seed Potatoes

White Bliss and Earl Rose.

Hall & Pearsall.

Warranty deeds for sale at the Star Office.

HANDS OFF IN MORROCCO.

Germany and France Cannot Agree—American Delegates Won't Vote.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Algeciras, Spain, March 6.—The positions as defined before the conference show that the Franco-German deadlock is practicaly the same in open conference as it was during the private exchanges of views.

The text of the speech of Herr Von Radowitz, head of the German delegation, as yesterday's session of the conference as given out, concludes as follows: "The powers being equally interested in the police organization, they should equally participate in it."

France specifically declines equality in the organization of the police, claiming that it is a mere ruse to undermine France's legitimate special position in Morocco.

The text of the speech of M. Revoil, chief of the French mission, reads: "The Internationalization of the police would give no guarantee of order and presents grave difficulties. We ask for recognition of the legitimate interests of France as a Mussulman power in North Africa and our special interests in the maintainance of order in Morocco."

Washington, D. C., March 6.—It can be stated that as the two issues in the Moroccan conference, the international bank and the police, have in the opinion of the officials here become political instead of economic, the American delegates, Messrs White and Gummere, will not vote upon them in any phase.

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For Infants and Children.

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STATEMENT.

UNITED STATES BRANCH NORTH BRITISH & MERCANTILE INSURANCE COMPANY OF LONDON AND EDINBURG, GREAT BRITAIN.

(Condition December 31st, 1905, as shown by Statement Filed.)

Statutory deposit	200,000.00
Amount Ledger Assets Dec. 31st previous year	6,468,493.26
Income—From Policy-holders, $3,885,412.10; Miscellaneous, $210,-854.64; Total	4,096,267.74
Disbursements—To policy - holders, $1,889,-630.41; Miscellaneous, $2,173,871.14; Total	4,063,601.55
Fire Risks — Written or renewed during year, $562,246,792.00; In force	605,925,750.00

ASSETS.

Book Value of Bonds and Stocks	5,727,632.10
Cash in Home Office and deposited in Banks	198,583.27
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1905	562,322.55
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1905	8,981.24
Interest and Rents due accrued	62,272.89
Cash in hand of Trustees	1,761.15
All other Assets, detailed in statement	1,879.13
Total	$ 6,563,432.33
Less Assets, not admitted	45,989.34
Total admitted Assets	$ 6,517,442.99

LIABILITIES.

Losses and claims unpaid	$ 336,613.06
Unearned premiums	3,218,915.64
All other Liabilities as detailed in statement.	22,383.06
Total Liabilities as to Policy-holders	$ 3,577,911.76
Capital deposits	200,000.00
Surplus	2,739,531.23
Total Liabilities	$ 6,517,442.99

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1905.

Fire Risks written, $4,-527,028.00; Premiums received	19,578.81
Losses incurred — Fire, $3,572.79; paid	2,794.22
Losses now unpaid	1,524.65

U. S. Manager—E. B. Richards. Head Office in U. S.—76 Williams street, New York City.

General Agent for service—J. VanB. Betts, Wilmington, N. C.

Business Manager for North Carolina—M. O. Selden, Baltimore, Md.

State of North Carolina, Insurance Department, Raleigh, February 1, 1906.

I, James R. Young, Insurance Commissioner, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct abstract of the statement of North British & Mercantile Ins., Company of Great Britain filed with this Department, showing the condition of said Company on the 31st day of December, 1905.

Witness my hand and official seal the day and date above written.

JAMES R. YOUNG, Insurance Commissioner.

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STATEMENT.

HANOVER FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF NEW YORK.

(Condition December 31st, 1905, as shown by Statement Filed.)

Capital paid up in cash	$ 1,000,000.00
Amount Ledger Assets Dec. 31st previous year	3,706,104.66
Income — From policy - holders, $2,645,-149.21; Miscellaneous, $259,997.09; Total	2,905,146.30
Disbursements—To policy - holders, $1,439,-686.21; Miscellaneous, $1,156,616.57; Total	2,596,302.78
Fire Risks — Written or renewed during year, $363,485,445.63; in force	421,699,023.09

ASSETS.

Value of Real Estate	$ 918,739.16
Mortgage Loans on Real Estate	3,500.00
Value of Bonds and Stocks	2,919,397.25
Cash in Home Office and deposited in Banks	129,945.71
Agents' balances, representing business written subsequent to October 1, 1905	345,908.41
Agents' balances, representing business written prior to October 1, 1905	513.58
Interest and Rents due and accrued	12,450.09
All other Assets, detailed in statement	20,663.53
Total	$ 4,351,117.73
Less Assets, not admitted	513.58
Total admitted Assets	$ 4,350,604.15

LIABILITIES.

Losses and claims unpaid	$ 249,516.33
Unearned Premiums	2,082,592.45
All other Liabilities as detailed in statement	32,356.92
Total Liabilities as to Policy-holders	$ 2,364,456.70
Capital paid up in cash	1,000,000.00
Surplus	986,138.45
Total Liabilities	$ 4,350,604.15

BUSINESS IN NORTH CAROLINA IN 1905.

Fire Risks written, $3,999,961.25; premiums received	$ 32,930.24
Losses incurred — Fire, $14,947.25; Paid	14,230.79
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Lv. Wilmington	9 25 a m	6 56 p m
Ar. Goldsboro	12 15 p m	9 32 p m
Ar. Wilson	1 20 p m	10 25 p m
Ar. Rocky Mount	2 08 p m	11 10 p m
Ar. Norfolk	5 35 p m	
Ar. Weldon	5 08 p m	1 47 a m
Ar. Petersburg	7 12 p m	3 23 a m
Ar. Richmond	8 00 p m	4 07 a m
A. Washington	11 40 p m	7 54 a m
Ar. Baltimore	1 43 a m	9 09 a m
Ar. Philadelphia	4 25 a m	11 22 a m
Ar. New York	7 30 a m	2 15 p m

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Lv. New York	9 25 a m	9 25 p m
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Ar. Baltimore	2 12 p m	2 22 a m
Ar. Washington	3 21 p m	3 45 a m
Ar Norfolk		8 40 a m
Lv. Richmond	7 25 p m	9 05 a m
Ar. Petersburg	8 05 p m	9 45 a m
Ar. Weldon	9 57 p m	11 44 a m
Ar. Rocky Mount	10 51 p m	1 10 p m
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Ar Goldsboro	6 58 a m	2 10 p m
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Ar Tampa		6 55 p m	11 00 p m

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	Daily.	Daily.
Lv. Tampa	8 35 p m	9 00 a m
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Ar. Florence	7 50 p m	9 25 a m
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11.30 A. M	12.15 P. M.
1.30 P. M.	2.15 P. M.
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ELEVATOR COMPANIES TO BE PROSECUTED

Combination in Violation of Sherman Anti-Trust Law—Suit Has Been Filed in Frisco.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Washington, D. C., March 7.—On advice that Federal suit was filed in San Francisco to-day against 31 elevator concerns, including the Otis Elevator Company, on the charge of violating the anti-trust law, Attorney General Moody made the following statement to-night:

"The United State Attorney for the Northern District of California has under instructions from the Attorney General, filed in the United States Circuit Court for the Ninth circuit, a bill of complaint against the Otis Elevator Company and twenty-seven other companies and three individuals engaged in the elevator business, charging them with violation of the Sherman anti-trust law. The companies named as defendants comprise the principal elevator companies of the United States, but the operations specifically complained of, have been carried on mainly in California and the States and territories west of the Rocky Mountains.

"It is charged that these companies make and sell at least eighty per cent. of all of the elevators used in that territory, and that they have entered into a combination among themselves to control and enhance the prices at which elevators are sold; that in order to make the combination effective, the Otis Elevator Company has acquired the whole or a majority interest in the businesses of all the other defendants; that when an inquiry is received from a customer by any of the defendants, it is immediately referred to the Otis Elevator Company, and, if there is no outside competition, that company designates the concern which is to get the business, fixes an excessive and exorbitant price to be charged, and directs the other companies to submit bids, apparently in good faith, but higher than the bid of the company which has been designated to receive the contract. The bill also alleges that there are only three elevator companies not in the combination carrying on business west of the Rocky Mountains, and that in order to drive these companies out of the business and secure an absolute monopoly, the Otis Elevator Company has instituted suits against them for the alleged infringement of its patents, which suits are brought solely to harass and injure them.

"The bill prays that the defendants be perpetually enjoined from carrying out their illegal combination."

THE MOROCCAN CONFERENCE.

Basis of Agreement Making Possible Amicable Agreement.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Algeciras, March 7.—The French police project was distributed late this evening among the delegates to the conference on Moroccan reforms. The substance of the proposition is as follows: "The Moroccan police to be constituted for three years, composed of Moorish mussulmans commanded by sixteen French and Spanish officers and thirty-two non-commisioned officers. The force to consist of 2,000 to 2,500 men distributed among the eight ports in bodies from 200 to 500. The State bank to advance funds for the administration and for the payment of the force."

No mention is made of international supervision and the project therefore is practically the same as was outlined in M. Revoil's declaration on Monday. The result of to-morrow's sitting of the conference is awaited with the most intense interest. Reports relative to the probability of an agreement are circulated on all sides. Conciliation certainly is in the air and continued efforts in that direction are going on, but a tangible basis for a possible arrangement cannot be learned.

Berlin, March 7.—Private conversations between the German and French envoys at Algeciras have brought them almost to an agreement on the Moroccan police controversy, so near indeed that the foreign office here regards a satisfactory issue of the conference as assured. Germany, it is understood, accepts France and Spain as having the officers best fitted for policing Morocco, and France accepts international control in principle, undertaking to supply adequate guarantees that the police shall not be national in character. It is likely that an international inspectorship will be created, consisting of a single officer of repute from a power other than France, Spain or Germany.

ESCAPED FROM KIDNAPPERS.

Strange Story of Son of New York Banker.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

New York, March 7.—Antonio Bozzuffi, the fourteen year old boy, who was kidnapped last Sunday and held for $20,000 ransom, returned alone to his home to-day. He had escaped from his captors, he said, by stealing out of a room above a saloon in Fifty-ninth street to-day while one of his captors who had been left alone to guard him, turned his back for a moment. The boy says that it took him but a second to spring beyond the man's reach and get down stair to the street where no attempt was made to pursue him. He told how he was terrorized into writing a letter to his father, John Bozzuffi, an east side banker, informing him that $20,000 must be paid and that if the police were informed his life would be taken. He says he was at first bound, and a handkerchief was forced into his mouth. Three men wearing black masks then entered the room. One of them, the boy said, pressed a revolver against his head and commanded him to write the letter to his father. After this episode, according to the boy's story, he was treated kindly.

MYSTERIOUS MR. TILLMAN.

Gives Hint and Wants Investigatoon of Bank Political Contributions.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Washington, March 7.—Senator Tillman will be heard by the Senate Committee on Privileges and Elections on his resolution as to the contributions of National banks in National elections. After hearing Senator Tillman, the committee will decide as to whether it shall make any investigation. Mr. Tillman intends to present the committee a case based upon supposition, but he will declare that he has evidence, identical with the case based on supposition. He will adopt this plan for the reason that he does not desire to disclose his evidence or to name the offending bank until it is decided what the course of the committee is to be. It is said that the amount of the contribution in the case Mr. Tillman has in mind is $17,000.

HEPBURN BILL IN THE SENATE

Senators Who Favor Legislation to Control Railroads Divided On Method

RIGHT OF REVIEW BY COURTS

Fine Legal Points Brought Out By Debate—Has Court Power to Suspend An Act of Congress? Pilotage Bill.

By Wire to the Morning Star.

Washington, March 7.—That there is still a sharp difference of opinion between the supposed friends of the Dolliver-Hepburn railroad rate bill was made decidedly manifest to-day in the Senate chamber. The division is over the question whether a rate made by the Interstate Commerce Commission shall be suspended by the courts pending final adjudication, and was brought to the surface in a brief debate which followed a set speech by Mr. Clapp in support of the bill. In reply to a question by Mr. Tillman, Mr. Clapp expressed doubt as to the power so to legislate as to enforce the penalties proposed by the bill pending a review of any given finding by the courts.

Mr. Tillman and M. Baxley took sharp issue with this statement. The former expressed the opinion that the issue is a vital one and declared that if an order of the commission is not to be maintained until a judicial settlement of a case is reached it will be necessary to reform the courts. Mr. Baxley also contended that Congress can so legislate as to maintain the Commission rates until the final order of the court is issued and to prevent an interlocutory order suspending such rates.

During the day there were two speeches on the rate bill, the one by Mr. Clapp in support of it, and another by Mr. Scott practically in opposition. Mr. Scott's argument was directed mainly against the principle of the government ownership of railroads in which he included the control of rates by the government. He admitted that there are evils connected with the railroad system of the country, but said he would not vote for the pending railroad rate bill without a provision for ample court review.

Mr. Clapp spoke in general support of the rate bill as reported from the Committee on Interstate Commerce. He upheld the right of Congress to fix rates either directly or through a commission and defended the omission from the bill of a provision for judicial review of rates. Mr. Tillman asked Mr. Clapp if he interpreted the bill to mean that any circuit judge or district judge, upon complaint, could suspend the order of the Commission until the litigation was completed, and Mr. Clapp replied "No, not in a thousand years." He added that what he had said was that "where the court suspended this order pending litigation, it only operates as the expression of the purpose of the court, but in view of the language of the provision, "unless the same shall be suspended," also operated as the purpose and will of the legislature as to its not being in fact yet suspended, and, consequently, the carrier obtaining this temporary restraining order would not be liable for the penalty of $5,000 a day in the meantime if the restraining order was finally vacated.

"This statement of the Minnesota Senator's position had the effect of eliciting the following from the South Carolinaian: "If," he said, "the penalty of $5,000 a day is suspended by an order of the court pending the litigation, where is your punishment to compel the carrier to ever obey an order? Is not the whole case given away if the Senator's contention as to the interpretation of these words is right? Are we not face to face with an absolute surrender of the relief to the shipper?"

Mr. Clapp responded: "I think we are face to face with the statement, made from which I read, and I cannot place it any better than it was placed by the Senator from Pennsylvania (Mr. Knox) when he said: "Of course, I do not mean that in an independent proceeding begun in the court could not, in the exercise of its discretionary powers, when satisfied that the rate fixed by the commission was unlawful, enjoin its operation until a final hearing; that is a power that inheres in the court that need not be conferred by statute and probably cannot be taken away by a statute."

In response to an inquiry from Mr. Baxley as to whether he would not join in an effort to secure an amendment to the bill which would retain in effect rates fixed by the Commission until finally determined by the courts, Mr. Clapp said he could not on the ground that such a provision would affect the very life of the proposed law. Mr. Baxley did not accept the doctrine that Congress had not the power to forbid a suspension of rates, but said that if such was the case the Spooner impoundment amendment should be accepted. He did not believe in closing the doors of the courts to any one, but insisted that until the courts should conclude their investigations and reach a final verdict the rate of the commission should continue in effect. He believed it would be an easy matter to incorporate a provision to protect a rate while it was being listed by the courts.

Mr. Nelson asked Mr. Baxley if he held that Congress had any more power to prohibit a court from issuing a temporary injunction than from issuing a general injunction. The Texas Senator replied that he had no doubt that Congress had power to provide against an interlocutory decree or order, for, he said, if Congress had power to establish a rate it was not unreasonable to ask that it should remain in effect until the question at issue was finally determined. He did not believe that any judge who might be brought into a case should have the power to suspend the order of the Commission, especially when the commission was supposed to perfectly understand its business, while the judges were not specialists in railroad law or business. "Taken as a whole," he said, "the Federal judges are upright men, but I will be amazed if the railroads are not able to make out a case if they can get the rate suspended while the suit is finding its way to final adjudication—and unless we can secure such legislation as will hold a rate established by the Commission we are storing up a disappointment for the people of the United States."

Mr. Tillman evidently had been very nervous while the debate was proceeding and he secured the floor as soon as he could conveniently do so. He spoke for only a moment and said: "The interpretation given by the Senator from Minnesota is absolutely contrary to my understanding. This is a most important difference; to my mind it is the spinal cord of this whole question. If Congress is to be hedged about by judicial decrees, we shall have to reform the Supreme Court, for the people are determined to have relief. The announcement of this sentiment elicited scattering applause in the galleries.

The remainder of the day was devoted to the Statehood bill and Messrs. Perkins and Spooner spoke in opposition to that bill as it stands.

The Senate adjourned until to-morrow at 11 o'clock.

The House.

Washington, D. C., March 7.—With six set speeches and permission to print two others in the Record without delivery, no two of which were on the same subject, the House to-day closed general debate on the Indian appropriation bill and will to-morrow take that matter up for amendment. Mr. Burke, of South Dakota, told of the prosperous condition of the Indians in their capacity as wards of the government, and in their advancement in civilization.

Mr. Kline, of Pennsylvania, discussed reforms in the fiscal system, advocating more liberality in the loan restriction on National Banks.

Mr. Haugen, of Iowa, argued in opposition to establishing a parcels post.

Mr. Gardner, of Massachusetts, gave reasons why immigration should be restricted and made the assertion that two-thirds of the male immigrants come here under labor contracts.

Mr. Gaines, of Tennessee, defended Henry Clay from the charge of being a "stand patter," made, he said by Mr. Lacey yesterday.

Mr. Brantley, of Georgia, spoke against Federal licenses for pilots as provided in pending legislation. His opposition to the Littlefield pilotage bill was based on the principal that the States have ample authority to prescribe all needed regulations and there is no reason or excuse for Federal interference.

THE VIRGINIA RUMPUS.

Majority and Minority Reports in Corporation Commission Muddle.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Richmond, Va., March 7.—The Legislative committee named to investigate the State Corporation Commission trouble growing out of charges by Chief Clerk Upshur that Second Clerk Lanier had used his position to further the interests of a private corporation in which Judge Crump took a share of stock, and which charges led to the discharge of Lanier, reported to-day. There was a majority and a minority report. The one is signed by four members and the other by one. The majority report exonerates Judge Crump from corrupt motives but finds that he was indiscreet and weak, and says: "We therefore conclude that Judge Crump, by his own conduct, but without any corrupt intention, has shown such a lack of judgment and moral courage as to seriously impair his usefulness as a member of the State Corporation Commission where, not only legal acumen, but moral courage, firmness, good judgment and sense of justice, which is inflexible, are essential. The same considerations which controlled the Commission in dismissing Lanier should now suggest to Judge Crump that he resign."

The minority report dissents, but says the subscribing to the one share of stock in said company by Judge Crump and the sanction given by him to the shareholding in any work performed for said company after office hours by Major Lanier, was a grave error of judgment and an act of indiscretion. Neither report attributes corruption to any one involved.

The Bar Association of Richmond met this evening, adopted resolutions endorsing and sustaining Judge Beverley T. Crump and requesting him not to resign as head of the Corporation Commission, in spite of the suggestion of the legislative committee report that he do so.

GREENE AND GAYNOR MAKING HARD FIGHT

Object to Use of Dead Man's Testimony Against Them—Sharp Turn on Government.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Savannah, Ga., March 7.—Major Cassius E. Gillette was given the unique distinction in the Federal court to-day of becoming a witness for the defendants Greene and Gaynor, the men whom he has done so much to have arraigned at the bar of justice. District Attorney Marion Erwin had put Major Gillette on the stand again to bring out further points that he desired to develop in the Government's case. Concluding with his examination, the District Attorney turned the witness over to the defense and Mr. Osborne began a line of questioning foreign to and independent of that to which Mr. Erwin had resorted. The court asked the purport of this questioning, which he was inclined to deem irrelevant. Mr. Osborne explained, whereupon the court remarked that he would permit the questioning, but that Maj. Gillette would then become a witness for the defense. Mr. Osborne accepted this ruling and continued his questioning relative to the cost of dredging work and certain contracts entered into. Under the cross-examination allowed Mr. Erwin by the court's ruling, however, an explanation that the government's counsel said they regarded as entirely satisfactory was forthcoming.

Major Gillette was asked about the price of dredging, by District Attorney Erwin. The court failed to see the relevancy and inquired regarding it, whereupon the District Attorney said he was proving that when Carter found that the jetties being built by Greene and Gaynor were not doing much good, he attempted to get the government to allow him to enter into a supplemental contract for nearly $500,000 worth of dredging by the defendants at 25 cents per cubic yard. The Judge Advocate General to whom this recommendation was referred, decided that such a contract would be illegal. The witness said that 10 cents a cubic yard would have been enough to pay and subsequently in this connection, Mr. Osborne, for the defense, brought out that two bids were submitted to Major Gillette for similar dredging in the same place and that one of them was as high as 70 cents a cubic yard. This was touched upon by the District Attorney in the direct examination. The 70 cents bid, said the witness, was for a very small piece of work, which, taken in connection with other more extensive work, averaged only 16 cents. The price paid, he said, always varies immensely with the amount of work to be done. The average cost of doing the work by government dredges at Cumberland Sound, he said, exclusive of the investment represented by the dredges, is only six cents a cubic yard.

Judge S. B. Adams, for the government, upon the conclusion of Maj. Gillette's testimony, began to read the evidence given by R. F. Westcott, deceased father-in-law of O. M. Carter. This evidence is regarded by the government as being highly important and the defense had fought vigorously, but without success to have it excluded. During the progress of the reading numerous objections were offered by counsel for the defense and exceptions noted when the court overruled them all. When the hour for adjournment arrived no great progress had been made.

FRENCH CRISIS SUDDENLY ARISES

Rouvier Ministry Defeated By Decisive Vote in Chamber of Deputies

CHURCH AND STATE IS ISSUE

Grave Complications May Arises Over Situation As to Moroccan Conference—New Ministry May Have Entirely Different Policy.

By Cable to The Morning Star.

Paris, March 7.—Like a bolt from a clear sky the Rouvier Ministry was defeated in the Chamber of Deputies to-night and immediately resigned. The cabinet crisis comes at a most dramatic moment, when the Franco-German contest has reached a decisive stage, and may exert an important adverse influence on the Algeciras conference and on European affairs. The defeat of the Government came on a comparatively minor debate over the church disorders. The Government suceeded in holding only 234 votes while the various elements in opposition—Clericals, Socialists and Nationalists—united and polled 267 votes, thus placing the ministry in a minority of thirty-three. Premier Rouvier, with al his colelagues, immediately proceeded to the Foreign Office, where a joint letter of resignation was prepared.

Later M. Rouvier presented this letter to President Failleres who accepted the resignations. The President announced his intention of consulting the presidents of the Senate and Chamber of Deputies to-morrow relative to the formation of a new cabinet. The debate in the Chamber of Deputies was upon the bloody riot yesterday during the taking of an inventory of a church in the village of Boeschepe, resulting in the death of a manifesant. Various orators severely criticised the Governments' course, asserting that it threatened to precipitate a religious warfare.

Premier Rouvier responded: "The Government has the duty to apply the law. It will apply it without weakness, but also with the prudence, tact and wisdom consistent with public tranquility. I ask the adoption of a resolution approving these declarations of the Government." The resolution was thereupon put to a vote and defeated. The result was due to a combination of opposition influences. The vote was more expressive of personal antagonism to the ministry than of opposition to church inventories. The meeting of the members of the cabinet at the foreign office lasted half an hour. After exchanging views with reference to church inventories, it was decided to suspend operations in that regard until a new cabinet has been appointed. The decision resulted from a disparity of the opinion expressed in the Chamber of Deputies relative to the method of carrying out the law providing for the separation of church and state. Had the Chamber voted a motion of confidence in the Government the cabinet would have been compelled to continue to apply the law, but the downfall of the ministry having clearly occurred through dis approval of the methods hitherto adopted, which on the one side were considered as too violent and on the other side as too indulgent, M. Rouvier and his colleagues thought it better to discontinue the enforcement of the law. The promulgation of regulations, however, will occur in the ordinary course, as specific dates are therefore laid down in the bill.

Prior to the cabinet crisis, the Franco-German controversy over Moroccan control seemed to be in the balance with the inclination strongly toward an agreement. All depended upon Berlin's last word. If this was a frank concession of a Franco-Spanish police without impossible conditions, then agreement was assured, but if the concession involved further conditions, France whose pride was already much aroused, was prepared to reject it. The foreign office to-day stated the situation as follows: "The reported German concession has not been communicated to us and we are therefore unable definitely to state what action may be taken thereon. One thing, however, can be stated with absolute positiveness, namely: If the German concession on the police question is conditioned upon international supervision, it will not be accepted."

This statement preceded the cabinet crisis. After that event no one was able to indicate the course of the Government.

FAYETTEVILLE LADY MURDERED.

Body of Elegantly Dressed Woman Floating in River Seine.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

Paris, March 7.—The perfecture of police has requested the American authorities to assist in unravelling the mysterious death of Ethel A. Brown, believed to be an American, whose body was found recently in the River Seine. A boatman discovered the body floating near the suburb of Charenton. It appeared to be that of a woman of means, and was elegantly dressed. The underclothes were embroidered with the name "Ethel A. Brown." On the hands were two gold rings, she wore pearl ear rings, a gold lorgnette was suspended from a chain around her neck, and she had kid gloves on her hands. No money and no papers were found on the body and there was a deep wound five inches long acros sthe scalp. The police are unable to decide whether the wound was the result of an accident or of an intentional blow. The body apparently had been in the water several weeks. The first clue to the identity of the woman was the following entry made in 1903 on the police records of foreigners visiting Paris: "Ethel Brown, American, born at Fayetteville, Nov. 21, 1872, Father, John; Mother, Sally Geachy." The entry indicates that the maiden name of the deceased was Ethel Greachy. The name of the State from which she came was not given. The body remains at the morgue. The French and American officials are cooperating with the police in the endeavor to establish the identity of the woman.

MATTHEWS WIFE MURDER TRIAL.

Argument Completed Yesterday and Jury Will Get Case To-day.

Greensboro, N. C., March 7.—Both defense and State concluded their arguments in the D. J. B. Matthews trial by a little after 6 o'clock and it was thought for a time that court would be called for 7:30 o'clock that Judge Ferguson might read his charge to the jury. Finding, however, that there wer nearly four hundred pages of evidence to go through, the Judge decided that he would defer the charge until to-morrow morning when court will open at 8:30 for the charging of the jury.

THE REGRET IS ALL CANNOT BE BENEFITTED

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The Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.:

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T. R. HOOKS.

Freemont, N. C., Dec. 7, 1904.

Send names and addresses of those who may be benefitted to the Keeley Institute, Greensboro, N. C.

BERTHE CLAICHE'S REVELATIONS

New York Policemen In Pay of Tenderloin Women.

By Wire to The Morning Star.

New York, March 7.—Berthe Claiche, the young French woman who yesterday pleaded guilty of the murder of Emil Gerdron, her alleged master, to-day was taken from the Tombs prison to the District Attorney's office. She had a talk there with Assistant District Attorney Ely. Although no official statement was made public, it was reported that the young woman gave Mr. Ely the names of four policemen to whom she said she paid $2 a week for protection while leading the life of a woman of the streets. She also gave the names of about fifty other policemen, the report stated, who were receiving like amounts from other women in the district where she lived. A conference took place to-day between Police Commissioner Bingham and Bethe Claiche's counsel, Abraham Levy and Otto Rosalsky, Commissioner Bingham refused to state what was said at this meeting.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Darlington, S. C., grand jury found no true bill against Pegram Dargan after considering the indictment in which he was charged with aiding and abetting his brother, Robert Keith Dargan, in taking his own life.

The President sent to the Senate yesterday the nomination of J. W. C. Long, postmaster at Statesville. The Senate confirmed yesterday nominations of W. M. Currie, postmaster at Maxton and Elizabeth W. Hill, Scotland Neck.

The legislative investigation into conditions at the Virginia Polytechnic Institute came to a sudden termination in Richmond last night by the agreement of counsel on both sides. No date has been set for resumption of the inquiry.

The Merritt Wrecking Co., of Norfolk, Va., yesterday floated the four-masted schooner George M. Grant, which was blown ashore near Cape Henry last Tuesday afternoon. The vessel was kept afloat by her cargo of wooden railroad ties and was towed into Hampton Roads.

In an authorized interview in Washington yesterday, H. B. Perham, of St. Louis, president of the Order of Railroad Telegraphers, stated that the differences with the Southern Railroad Company were being amicably adjusted, and that there would be no strike on Friday as heretofore announced.

No concessions will be made by the Illinois Coal Operators Association to the United Mine Workers of America. This was decided on yesterday at Chicago at an executive meeting of the operators, who adopted resolutions declaring their willingness to face the threatened strike on April 1, rather than grant the demands of the mines.

At Saratoga, N. Y., yesterday a rear-end collision on the Delaware and Hudson railroad resulted in one death and severe injuries to several passengers who were on the train known as the Lake George special. Miss Esmond, aged 16 years, of Gansevoort, N. Y., was instantly killed. Her mother, Mrs. Charles Esmond, received injuries that are likely to prove fatal.

Western railroads, the Record Herald to-day will say, have decided to make voluntary reductions in transportation charges amounting in the aggregate to many million dollars annually. The purposed reductions are to be made in all the rates of the six classes into which freight is divided and will be effective in the entire territory between the Atlantic Seaboard and the Missouri River.

It was announced from the general offices of the Jamestown Exposition Company yesterday that a tower exceeding in altitude the celebrated Eiffel tower, at Paris, will in all probability be erected on the Exposition grounds. A cablegram has been sent to London for plans and specifications. The tower would carry upwards of 10,000 incandescent lights and could be seen from miles at sea at night.

When a quantity of nitro-glycerine exploded near Parkersburg, W. Va., two weeks ago, H. D. Kerr was driving the wagon on which it was being carried. All that could be found immediately after the explosion were a few pieces of flesh and these were shipped to Ohio for burial, upon the supposition that they were all that was left of Kerr. Yesterday, however, his body, somewhat lacerated, was found in a tree seven hundred yards from the scene of the explosion. The body had apparently been thrown through the air by the power of the glycerine and lodged in the tree.

Capt. Thomas F. Hart, of the schooner Lizzie Chadwick, and his crew of seven were landed at Gloucester, Mass., yesterday by the British schooner Kitchner, which had rescued the Chadwick's sailors from their sinking vessel off Cape Hatteras last Thursday. The Chadwick, bound from Mayport, Fla., for New York, with lumber, was disabled by a "revolving cyclone," which she encountered off Hatteras on February 27th. Her sails and rigging were ripped off, her masts had to be cut away, her seams opened and the water filled her until her deck load was barely awash. With only a quantity of macaroni and water for food and drink, Capt. Hart and his men drifted at the mercy of the tempest and sea for nearly three days. Then the Kitchner came to their aid.

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RAILROAD INVESTIGATION

President Roosevelt Asks for $50,000 and More Powers for Interstate Commerce Commission.

Washington, D. C., March 7.—President Roosevelt to-day sent a message to the Congress announcing his signature to the joint resolution recntly passed instructing the Interstate Commerce Commission to make examination into the subject of railroad discrimination and monopolies in coal and oil. He says frankly that he has signed it with hesitation because it may achieve little or nothing. He indicates, too, that if the investigation proposed by the resolution is conducted thoroughly, it will result in giving immunity from criminal prosecution to all persons who are called and sworn as witnesses. In the opinion of the President the directors contained in the resolution will remain practically inoperative unless money be provided to carry on the investigation and the Commission be authorized to take testimony under its provisions. He suggests, therefore, that Congress give serious consideration to just what it desires the Interstate Comerce Commission to do and that the sum of $50,000 be placed at the disposal of the Commission to defray the expenses of the proposed investigation. The message says that the oil and anthracite coal industries have been under the investigation by the Department of Comerce and Labor, and that the reports will be submitted to Congress before adjournment.

Discussing the question of immunity the message says: "Publicity can by itself often accomplish extraordinary results for good, and the court of public judgment may secure such results where the courts of law are powerless. There are many cases where an investigation securing complete publicity about abuses and giving Congress the material on which to proceed in the enactment of laws, is more useful than a criminal prosecution can possibly be. But it should not be provided for by law without a clear understanding that it may be an alternative instead of an additional remedy—that is, that to carry on the investigation may serve as a bar to the successful prosecution of the offenses disclosed."

The message asks that the power be explicitly conferred on the Commission to administer oaths, and compel the attendance of witnesses in making the investigation in question, and concludes: "It seems unwise to require an investigation by a Commission and then not to furnish either the full legal power or the money, both of which are necessary to render the investigation effective."

NATIONAL QUARANTINE BILL.

Texas Representatives Oppose It—Violation of State's Rights.

Washington, March 7.—By a vote of 11 to 2 the House committee on Interstate and Foregn Commerce agreed today to make a favorable report on a committee substitute for the Williams bill to extend Federal control of quarantine. Representatives Bartlett, of Georgia, and Russell, of Texas, cast the negative votes and will make a minority report opposing the measure on the ground that it is unconstitutional, in that it interferes with the rights of States. Representative Wagner will make the report on the bill. The bill is essentially the same as the amended Mallory bill reported by the Senate Committee on Public Health and National Quarantine, with the addition of two important amendments. On of these amendments extends Federal control to interstate quarantine. The other provides that when the Government acquires property for quarantine use the States shall release all rights to the property when the purchase price is paid. The bill in its amended form provides for the establishment of four harbors of refuge, of which Dry Tortugas is to be one. The Secretary of the Treasury is placed in direct control of quarantine and is to administer it through the Public Health and Marine Hospital Service. The bill carries an appropriation of $500,000 to carry its provisions into effect.

MUST ASSASSINATE ROOSEVELT.

Philadelphia Woman Who is Evidently Insane on Subject.

New Orleans, March 7.—Declaring that her life will be taken unless she assassinates President Roosevelt, a woman who gave her name as Mrs. W. B. Leweller, of Philadelphia, applied at central police headquarters today for protection. She spoke rationally on all general subjects, but the police and coroner decided to detain her for an examination. Mrs. Lewaller said that she fell in with a party of Socialists in Philadelphia, and that she was taken to a room there and made to take an oath against the President, being told that she would be destroyed if it was not executed. She said she fled to Houston, Texas, but the men followed her there and that she had then come to New Orleans.

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OVERDRAFTS	729 80
UNITED STATES BONDS AND PREMIUM	207,500 00
FURNITURE AND FIXTURES	4,583 82
CASH AND DUE FROM BANKS	366,021 58
TOTAL	$897,801 25

LIABILITIES

CAPITAL	$200,000 00
SURPLUS	73,840 00
UNDIVIDED PROFITS, NET,	3,364 14
CIRCULATION	200,000 00
DEPOSITS	420,597 11
TOTAL	$897,801 25

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